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ORDINANCES
AND
DECLARATIONS
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
ASSEMBLED IN
PARLIAMENT.

For the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of WALES.

And for settling of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the COMMON-WEALTH.

Die Luna 23. Novemb. 1646.

IT is this day Ordered by the Lords in Parliament assembled; That the severall Ordinances printed for the sale of the Bishops Lands shall be called in; And that the Trustees therein mentioned, or the major part of them shall take care for the true printing thereof, according to the said Ordinance, any Order whatsoever notwithstanding.
Joh. Browne Cleric. Parliamentorum.

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THE

REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

LANDS

OF THE

STATE

OF

NEW

YORK

IN

THE

YEAR

1805

AND

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Die Veneris 9 Octob. 1646.

An Ordinance of Parliament, for the
abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops,
within the kingdom of *England*, and Dominion
of *Wales*, and for setting of their Lands and
Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the
Common-wealth.

For the abolishing of Archbishops and Bi-
shops, and providing for the payment of
the just and necessary debts of the King-
dom, into which the same hath been drawn
by a War, mainly promoted by and in fa-
vour of the said Archbishops, and Bishops, and other their
Adherents, and Dependents; Be it Ordained, and it is
Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament
assembled, and by the authority of the same; That the
Name, Title, Seile, and Dignity of Archbishop of *Can-*
terbury, Archbishop of *York*, Bishop of *Winchester*, Bi-
shop of *Duresme*, and of all other Bishops of any Bishop-
ricks within the kingdom of *England*, and Dominion of
Wales, be from and after the fifth day of *September*, in the
year of our Lord God 1646. wholly abolished and ta-
ken away, and are hereby abolished and taken away. And

The name and
title abolished.

The Lands pos-
sessions and evi-
dences of Bi-
shops seized in
Trustees.

all and every person and persons are and be thenceforth disabled to hold the place, function, or stile of Arch-
bishop, or Bishop of any Church, Sea, or Diocese, now
established or erected, or hereafter to be established or e-
rected within the Kingdom of England, Dominion of
Wales, or Town of Berwick, or to use or put in ure any Arch-
chiepiscopall or Episcopall Jurisdiction, or authority, by
force of any Letters Patents from the Crown, made or
to be made, or by any other authority whatsoever, any
Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding. And be it further Ordained, and it is hereby
Ordained, that all Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors,
Lordships, Stiles, Circuits, Precincts, Castles, Granges,
Messuages, Mills, Lands, Tenements, Meddows, Pastures,
Parsonages, appropriate Tithes, Oblations, Obventions,
Pensions, portions of Tithes, Parsonages, Vicarages,
Churches, Chappels, Advowsons, Benefices, Nomina-
tions, Rights of Patronage and Presentation, Parks,
Woods, Rents, Reversions, Services, Annuities, Fran-
chises, Liberties, Priviledges, Immunities, Rights of Ac-
tion and of Entry, Interests, Titles of Entry, Conditions,
Commons, Courts Leet, and Courts Baron; and all o-
ther possessions & Hereditaments whatsoever, with all and
every of their appurtenances of what nature or quality so-
ever they be, which now are, or at any time within 10 years
before the beginning of this present Parliament, were be-
longing to the said Archbishops, or Bishops, Archbishop-
ricks, or Bishopricks, or any of them, which they, or any
of them had held and enjoied in the Right of their Arch-
bishopricks, or Bishopricks, Dignities, Offices, or Places
respectively; together with all Charters, Deeds, Books,
Accounts, Rolls, and other Writings and Evidences what-
soever, concerning the premises, or any of them, which

Deeds

do belong to any the said Archbishops, or Bishops, Arch-
 bishopricks, and Bishopricks, are vested, and settled, ad-
 judged and deemed to be, and are hereby in the reall and
 actuall possession and seisin of Thomas Adams Alderman, Trustees names
 now Lord Major of the City of London, Sir John Wolla-
ston Knight, Sir George Clarke Knight, John Langham
Alderman, John Fowke Alderman, James Bunce Alderman,
William Gibbes Alderman, Samuel Avery Alderman,
Thomas Noel, Christopher Pack, John Bellamy, Edward
Hooker, Thomas Arnold, Richard Glide, William Hobson,
Francis Ash, John Babington, Laurence Bromfield, Alex-
ander Jones, John Jones, Richard Venner, Stephen Estwick,
Robert Mead, and James Story; their heires and assignes;
 And that they the said Thomas Adams, now Lord Major
 of the City of London, Sir John Wollaston Knight, Sir
George Clarke Knight, John Langham Alderman, John
Fowke Alderman, James Bunce Alderman, William Gibbes
Alderman, Samuel Avery Alderman, Thomas Noel, Chri-
stopher Pack, John Bellamy, Edward Hooker, Thomas Ar-
nold, Richard Glide, William Hobson, Francis Ash, John
Babington, Laurence Bromfield, Alexander Jones, John
Jones, Richard Venner, Stephen Estwick, Robert Mead, and
James Story, and the Survivor and Survivers of them and
 their Heires, and Assignes, shall hold all such the premises
 as are now held of the King, of the King his heires and
 successors, as of his Mannor of East Greenwich in Fee
 and common soccage by fealty, and the Annuall Rents
 therefore respectively due, and payable within ten years
 last past, before the beginning of this present Parliament,
 and not in Capite nor by other Tenures or services, and
 shall hold all and every the premises which the said Arch-
 bishops, and Bishops, held of any other then of the King,
 by the Rents, and other Services therefore due, and of

The Lands
 which the Bi-
 shops held of
 the King to be
 holden as of the
 Mannor of East
 Greenwich in
 soccage.

And the Lands
 holden of other
 Lords, to be
 holden by the
 Rents and Ser-
 vices accustomed

And discharged
of Titles.

The Trustees to
name Surveyors.

To put the deeds
in safe custody.

right accustomed; And the said Trustees, their heires, assignes, Farmers, and Tenants, shall also have, hold, and enjoy the premisses, and every of them freed, acquitted and discharged of, and from the payment of Tithes, as fully as the said Archbishops, and Bishops did hold and enjoy, or ought to hold and enjoy the same, at any time, during the space of ten years aforementioned, or any time since. And it is further by the same authority Ordained, that the said Trustees shall have power and are authorized, to make, nominate, and appoint from time to time, fit and able persons, such as they shall think fit, to survey the premises in any County or Counties of *England* and *Wales*, and to hold Court of surveys, and to demand, receive, and in safe custody to put all the said Charters, deeds, books, accompts, rolls, writings, and evidences, that they may be put in such place in the City of *London*, as the said persons beforenamed, or the major part of them shall order and appoint; And the said [redacted] or any three or more of them, as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and required to administer an Oath unto all and every the Surveyors, who shall take the same before he shall execute the said place, in these words, *wiz.*

The Surveyor's
Oath.

I A. B. do swear, that I will faithfully and truly, according to my best skill and knowledge, execute the place of a Surveyor, according to the purport of an Ordinance, entitled An Ordinance of Parliament for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales, and for selling of their Lands and possessions upon Trustees, for the use of the Commonwealth. I shall use my best endeavour and skill to discover the estates therein mentioned, and every part thereof, which shall be given in charge, and to make out the true values and improvements thereof, and thereof shall make true particulars,

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particulars, according to my best skill and cunning; and the same from time to time deliver in writing close sealed up, unto the said Trustees, or any two of them, according to the true intent and meaning of the said Ordinance; and this I shall justly and faithfully execute, without any gift or reward, directly or indirectly, from any person or persons whatsoever.

Nevertheless it is declared and ordained, that the said persons before named, their Heires and Assignes shall have and hold the premisses and every of them subject to such trusts and confidence as both Houses of Parliament shall appoint, and declare and dispose of the same; and the Rents and profits thereof, as the said Houses shall order and appoint; wherein the Lords and Commons do declare, that due respect shall be had towards such persons and their Assignes as are interested in the premisses by virtue of any demise heretofore made; Provided that the said Trustees, their Heires or Assignes shall not avoid any leases made for any Term or estate, not exceeding three lives, or one and twenty years in possession, or in such manner as that together with the lease in being shall not exceed three lives or one and twenty years, so as the old and accustomed rent and rents, or so much rent and rents, as the ancient and accustomed rent amounteth unto, be reserved payable during the said voidable Term and Terms or estates; and so as the said Leases have not been procured or purchased of any Bishop, since the first of December, Anno Domini 1641. And be it further Ordained by the authority aforesaid, that if any Archbishop, or Bishop, have at any time since the first day of December, Anno Domini 1641. made any grant or lease to any person or persons, body politique or corporate, of any the Honors, Mannors, Lordships, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments,

The Trust.

Due respect to Tenants.

Leases not exceeding 3 lives, or 21 years, whereupon the old rent is reserved, are not to be avoided.

Leases made since the first of December 1641, by Bishops, to be void.

rediments, or any other the premises aforesaid, or any of them in right of their Archbishopricks or Bishopricks, the same grant or lease shall be utterly void and of none effect; and the person or persons, body politique or corporate, unto whom the same was made, shall have no benefit thereby; Provided and be it ordained, and it is hereby ordained; that if any person or persons, body politique or corporate, at any time or times since the first day of *December*, in the year of our Lord God, 1641. who had any grant or lease for one or more life, or lives, or any number of years of the premises, or any part thereof, as is aforesaid, and surrendered the same; to the end that he or they might have a new grant or lease granted or made unto him or them, which by this present Ordinance is made void, and the same was accordingly granted or made unto him or them; That the said person or persons, body politique or corporate, who hath so surrendered any such former grant or lease, his and their heires, successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assignes, shall have, hold, possesse, and enjoy such time and term, as he or they had in any part of the said premises by vertue of any such former grant, or lease, in such sort and manner as he or they should have had, held, and enjoyed the same, if no such surrender had been made, subject neverthelesse to such payments of rent and other services, and such covenants, conditions, and agreements as in the said former Grants or Leases were expressed and contained. Saving unto all and every person and persons, their heires, executors, and administrators, bodies politique and corporate, and their successors, other then the King, his heires and successors, all Archbishops, and Bishops, and other then the founders and donors as founders and donors of and to the said Archbishopricks and Bishopricks, and their heires, all such right, title, interest,

Those that have
surrendered their
old since De-
cember 1641.
shall enjoy their
old Leases.

Saving the right
of all persons
other then the
King and Bi-
shops.

interest, possession, rights in Law, or equity, entries, annuities, commodities, fees, and other profits which they or any of them before the said first day of December, 1641. ought lawfully to have had in, or to the premises or any part or parcell thereof, as if this Ordinance had never been had or made; also saving to all such person or persons as have adhered to the Parliament, all such estate as he or they since the first day of May, An. Dom. 1641. have forfeited or made forfeitable for non-payment of Rent, or not performing of services to any Bishop or Bishops, except it be in the case of a Lease made utterly void by this Ordinance, by reason the same hath been procured or purchased of any Bishop since the aforesaid first day of December, An. Dom. 1641. and likewise saving to Philip Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, and his heires, all such right as he and they have to the Messuage called Duresme House, and certaine Stables, late of the possessions of Thomas Bishop of Duresme, scituate in the Parish of St. Martins in the Fields, in the County of Middlesex, lately granted by Act of this present Parliament; this present Ordinance, or any thing therein contained in any wise notwithstanding; Provided also, and it is hereby further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that all and singular Revenues, Rents, Issues, Fees, Profits, sums of Money, and allowances whatsoever, as have heretofore been, and now ought to be paid, disposed and allowed unto, and for the maintenance of any Grammar-school, or Schollers, or for or toward the reparation of any Church, Chappel, High-way, Cause-way, Bridges, School-house, Almshouse, or any other charitable or pious use, or for maintaining of any Lecture, or Preachers payable out of any the premises, or which are chargeable, or ought to issue out of, or to be paid for, or in respect of the said premises, or any of them, shall be

Saving to such persons as have adhered to the Parliament such estates as they have forfeited for non payment of rent.

Small Duresme House
Duresme House

Rents payable to charitable uses to be continued;

Sheriffs to pre-
sent to the Judge
a fit person
to perform the
office of the
Ordinary;

Commissions
upon the Statute
of charitable
uses.

and continue to be paid and allowed as they were; and
have been heretofore, any thing in this present Ordinance
to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And it is fur-
ther ordained, that the Sheriffe of every County and place
who is to attend the respective Courts where any Felony
is to be tryed and determined, shall provide and present to
the Judge or Judges of such Courts, some able and fit
person to do such things as by the office of the Ordinary
have been used to be done; which person and persons shal
have authority, and are hereby enjoyned to performe that
service in such manner as the respective Ordinaries hereto-
fore have used to do. Provided also, that all Commissi-
ons upon the Statute of charitable uses, shall bee valid,
though the Bishop be therein omitted, and the other Com-
missioners shall proceed therein as fully, as they might
have heretofore done, when the Bishop was therein named;
and that all Issues tryable by the Ordinary or Bishop, shal
be tryed by Jury in usuall course.

Ioh. Brown Cleric. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Martis 13 October, 1646.

THe Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, intending to raise the sum of two hundred thousand pounds, for the present service of the State, for the encouragement of such as shall advance any sum for, and towards the same, and to the intent they may have notice thereof, do Declare, that every person who hath advanced any monies, plate, or horses, with their Furniture and Arms, upon the Publique Faith, may for every sum of money he shall further lend, for the advancement of the said sum, be secured a like sum more out of the Receipt of the Grand Excise in course, and the sale of the Bishops Lands, (except Advowsons and Impropriations) which shall first happen, together with the Interest, after the rate of 8l. *per centum, per annum*, to be paid every six months out of the Receipts of the Excise, till principall and Interest be fully discharged. As for example, If there be owing to any person 100l. Principall, which, with Interest due thereupon for three years past, will make 124l. he adventuring 124l. more, may be secured for the whole 248l. as aforesaid, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser sum, and according to the Interest due thereupon. And for the more speedy re-imbursing of the said Money secured and lent for the purpose aforesaid, That the said Lands of the Bishops (except before excepted) are estated and made over to such Feoffees for the speedy sale thereof, and such Treasurers for the Receipt of the Monies, as may give satisfaction to the Lenders. And the said Lords and Commons do Declare, That it shall and may be lawfull for any person or persons to assigne his Right and Interest in any sum or sums of Money owing to him upon the Publique Faith, as aforesaid, to any person or persons that will advance the like sum, in manner as is before expressed.

Any person may assign his debt upon the publique Faith.

*Joh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.
H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.*

Die Sabbathi, 14 Novemb. 1646.

The Declarati-
on for the
manner of pay-
ment of the
200000l.

BE it Declared by the Lords and Commons in Parli-
ament assembled, That the first hundred thousand
pounds which shall be raised, either by the sale of Bishops
Lands, or by the credite of the Ordinances which are pas-
sed for that purpose, shall be paid to our brethren of *Scot-*
land, upon the marching of their Army and Forces out of
this kingdom, at such time and place as shall be agreed
upon: and the next fifty thousand pounds so raised at the
end of three months after the former payment; and fifty
thousand pounds more raised as aforesaid, at the end of
nine months after the first payment: But in case the latter
hundred thousand pounds shall be with more speed pro-
cured, the same shall be sooner paid unto them, although
there be no engagement for a more speedy payment, then
at the times formerly expressed.

H. Elsynge Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.



Die Luna Novemb. 16. 1646.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands for the use of the Common-wealth.



Hereas by an Ordinance of the Lords and Commons made the ninth of *October* one thousand six hundred forty six, the name, title, stile, and dignity of Archbishop of *Canterbury*, Archbishop of *York*, Bishop of *Winechester*, Bishop of *Duresme*, and of all other Bishops of any Bishopricks within the kingdom of *England* and dominion of *Wales*, from the fifth of *September*, one thousand six hundred forty six, is wholly abolished and taken away, and all and every person and persons are disabled to hold the place, function, or stile, of Archbishop or Bishop of any Church, Sea, or Diocess, within the kingdom of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, by any authority whatsoever; And all Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other the premisses in the said Ordinance mentioned, were and are vested and settled, adjudged, and deemed to be in the real and

Recital of the
first Ordinance

Recall of the
Declaration.

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actuell possession and seisin of *Thomas Adams Alderman*,
then Lord Major of the City of London, *Sir John Wolla-*
ston Knight, *Sir George Clarke Knight*, *John Langham*
Alderman, *John Fowke Alderman*, *James Bunce Alderman*,
William Gibbes Alderman, *Samuel Avery Alderman*,
Thomas Noel, *Christopher Pack*, *John Bellamy*, *Edward*
Hooker, *Thomas Arnold*, *Richard Glide*, *William Hobson*,
Francis Ash, *John Babington*, *Lawrence Bromfield*, *Alex-*
ander Jones, *John Jonas*, *Richard Venner*, *Stephen Estwick*,
Robert Mead, and *James Story*; their heires and assignes;
upon trust and confidence that the said persons before na-
med, their heires and assigns, should have and hold the pre-
misses, and every of them, subject to such trust and confi-
dence as both Houses of Parliament should appoint, de-
clare, and dispose of the same, and the rents and profits
thereof, as the said Houses should order and appoint. And
whereas the said Lords and Commons the thirteenth of
October, one thousand six hundred forty six, have declared
they intending to raise the sum of two hundred thousand
pounds for the present service of the State, that for the en-
couragement of such who shall advance any sum, for, and
towards the same, and to the intent they might have no-
tice thereof, that every person who hath advanced any
Money, Plate, or Horses, with their Furniture, and Arms,
upon the publique faith, may for every sum of money he
shall further lend for the advancement of the said sum, be
secured a like sum more out of the Receipt of the Grand
Excise in course, and the sale of the Bishops Lands, (ex-
cept Advowsons and Inpropriations) which shall first
happen, together with all the Interest after the rate of *8l.*
per cent. per annum, to be paid every six months out of the
receipts of the Excise, till principall and interest be fully
discharged; as for example, if there be owing to any per-
son

son a hundred pounds principall, which with Interest due thereupon for three yeares past will make a hundred twenty foure pounds, he adventuring a hundred twenty foure pounds more; may be secured for the whole two hundred forty eight pounds, as aforesaid, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser summe, and according to the Interest due thereupon: And for the more speedy reimbursing of the said money secured and lent, for the purpose aforesaid, that the said Lands of the Bishops (except before excepted) are estated and made over to such Fesoffees for the speedy sale thereof, & such Treasurers for the receipt of the moneys, as may give satisfaction to the lenders. And have thereby further declared, that it shal & may be lawfull for any person or persons to assigne his right and interest in any sum or sums of money owing to him upon the publique faith as aforesaid, to any person or persons that shall advance the like sum in manner as is before expressed. And therefore for and towards the satisfying of the said two hundred thousand pounds to be raised, or so much thereof as shall be raised, and of such money as according to the said Declaration the said lenders are to be repaid for Money, Plate, Horses with their furniture and armes, advanced upon the publique faith, with Interest for the same, after the rate aforesaid, The said Lords and Commoners have declared and ordained, and doe hereby declare and ordaine, That the said *Thomas Adams* and other the persons before named, and the Survivors, and Survivor of them, and the Heires of the Survivor of them shall stand and be seized of all and singular the said premises so vested and settled in them, their Heires and Assignes (except Parsonages appropriate, Tithes, Tithes appropriate, oblations, obventions, portions of Tithes, Parsonages, Vicarages, Churches, Chappels, Advowsons,

The Trustees to stand seized and receive the rents and profits of the Bishops' lands due after the first of November, 1546.

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Donatives, Nominatives, Rights of Patronage and Presentation) and shall take all the Rents, Revenues, issues and profit, which were due and payable after the first of November, one thousand six hundred forty six, notwithstanding any Sequestration of the same, and all other the Rents, Revenues, Issues and Profits, that shall at any time hereafter become due and payable for the said premisses or any part of them, untill sale shall be made of the same to the uses, intents, and purposes herein and hereafter declared: And be it ordained that the said Trustees, or the major part of them, shall have Power and Authority, and are hereby Authorised, to take into their Assistance such Counsell Learned, and to appoint such Stewards of Mannors, and all other Officers and Persons, as they or the major part of them should hold fit and necessary for the putting of this Ordinance in Execution, and to give such Fees, and make such allowance to the said Counsell, Stewards of Mannors, Officers and persons as they shall hold fit and necessary. And to make Warrants to the Treasurers for the payment of the same, who are hereby required to pay the same accordingly, untill Sale shall be made of the premisses, to the uses, intents, and purposes herein, and hereafter declared as aforesaid; That is to say, that out of the Money raised by the Sale of the said Premises, or any part of them that shall be sold, and out of the said Rents, Revenues, Issues, and Profits of the said premisses or any part of them, there shall be paid and satisfied the severall sums of Money, with Interest at the rate aforesaid, that by this present Ordinance are, or are intended to be paid and satisfied, together with all Charges to be paid or borne, for or by reason of the Execution of the trust in them reposed; and after the full and due payment of the same, that they their Heires, Executors, and Admi-

The Trustees to choose their Counsell and appoint Stewards of Mannors and other Officers and persons who are to be paid by the Treasurers untill the monies payable by this Ordinance be paid with all charges,

Administrators respectively, shall stand seized and possessed of such of the said Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors, Lands, and Premisses remaining unsold. And of the Moneys raised by Sale of the Premisses or of any part of them remaining undisposed, for the use and benefit of the Common-wealth, as shall be limited and appointed by both Houses of Parliament: and be it also ordered and ordained by the Authority aforesaid, that *John Blackwell* senior of *Moreclack* in the County of *Surrey* Esquire, *Sir William Roberts* of *Wisden*, in the County of *Middlesex* Knight, *Alderman Vyner*, *Colonell Richard Turner*, *James Russell*, *William Methold*, *Thomas Ayres* of *London* Esquire, *William Prinne* of *Lincolnes Inne* Esquire, *Robert Fenwicke* of *London* Esquire, *Timothy Middleton* of *Standstead* in the County of *Essex* Esquire, *Edward Cresset* of *London* Esquire, shall have full Power and Authority, and hereby have full Power and Authority to Treat, Contract, and Agree with any person or persons, for the Sale of the said Premisses, or any of them in such manner as is hereafter limited. And that the said *John Blackwell*, and other the said persons last before named, shall receive of the Treasurers herein named, two pence in the pound for every summe that shall be paid to the said Treasurers, upon all and every such Contract and Contracts, for the Sale of the Premisses or any part thereof. And that the said Trustees or any five of them shall have full power, and are hereby required to convey the premisses or any part thereof, by Bargaine and Sale Inrolled, according to the Statute, or otherwise by any good and sufficient Conveyance and Assurance in the Law, to any person or persons whatsoever, according to such Contract or Contracts as shall be made by the said Contractors, or any six or more of them, and entered and certified

The Contractors,

2d. per pound
to be paid to the
contractors,

The Trustees or
five of them to
convey according
to Contract of six or
more of the Con-
tractors entered
and certified to
the Trustees,

to the said Trustees as aforesaid by the Register herein, or hereafter to be named by both Houses of Parliament: And the mony that shal be raised by the sale thereof, to be employed according to the trusts and directions herein declared. And that all Bargains of sale, conveyances, and assurances made of any Estate, or Estates, in Fee-simple, according to such contracts as shall be agreed upon between the Purchasers, and the said Contractors before named, shall be good and effectually in Law. And be it likewise ordained, that none of the said Trustees shall be Contractors, nor none of the Contractors, nor any of them, nor any other to their or either of their use, or uses, or in trust for them, or any of them, directly or indirectly, shall or do purchase the said lands or any part of them; And if any Contractors or any in trust for them, or any of them shall buy any Lands contrary to this Ordinance, he or they shall forfeit the estate and mony paid for it. And every purchaser of any part of the premises, his Heires and Assignes shall have, hold, and enjoy the premises that shall be by him purchased, discharged of all trusts and accompts, whereunto the said Trustees are, or may be lyable by vertue of this present or the said recited Ordinance. And of all Suits and Questions that may arise or be moved upon pretence of sale at under values, or upon pretence that the sums by this Ordinance intended to be paid, were satisfied before such sale made, and all other claims and demands whatsoever, saving the Rents and Interests saved by the said recited Ordinance, and of all incumbrances made by the said Trustees, or by any claiming under them, or any of them; And for the discharge of the Trustees and Contractors, It is further declared and Ordained by the authority aforesaid, That all and every the said Trustees and Contractors shal be,

None of the
Trustees to be
Contractors.
None of the
Contractors to
be purchasers.

The purchasers
to hold the lands
discharged of all
trusts, accompts,
&c.

Incumbrances
made by the
Trustees.

be, and are hereby discharged and saved harmless for whatsoever they, or any one or more of them shall do in pursuance of this Ordinance; And that if any action shall be brought against them, or any of them, for any act done by them, or any of them, in execution of this Ordinance or instructions herein mentioned, then they are hereby enabled to plead the generall issue, and to give this Ordinance in evidence, and if a judgement passe for them, they shall recover double costs; And it is further ordained and declared that the said Lordships, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments vested in the said Trustees by the said Ordinance of Parliament, entituled *(An Ordinance of Parliament for the abolishing of Archbishops, and Bishops, within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales, and for settling of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees, for the use of the Common-wealth)* shall not be lyable unto but stand and shall be free and discharged of, and from all and all manner of Statutes, Judgements, Recognizances, Dowers, Jointures, and other acts and incumbrances whatsoever, had, made, done or suffered, or to be had, made, done, or suffered, by, from or under the said Trustees, other then such conveyances and assurances as shall be by them had, made, done, or suffered in performance, or pursuance of the sales, and contracts by them to be respectively made according to the intent of this present Ordinance, and saving unto all and every person and persons, bodies Politique and Corporate, their Heires, Successors, Executors, and Administrators, all such right, title, and interest as by the said Ordinance entituled *(An Ordinance of Parliament for the abolishing of Archbishops, and Bishops, within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales, and for settling of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the Common-wealth)* is or are thereby

The Trustees and Contractors to be saved harmless, and may plead the generall issue, and give in evidence this Ordinance.

The lands shall be freed from all incumbrances done by the Trustees.

Saving to all persons their rights which are saved by the former Ordinance.

Provided that
the *Jura Regalia*
of the Bishop-
rick of Duresme
shall remain in
the Trustees,

thereby saved. Provided, and it is further declared and ordained, That whereas the late Bishop of *Durham* and other his predecessors Bishops of *Durham*, have hitherto exercised, and enjoyed as Count Palatines sundry great Franchises, Liberties, and Jurisdictions, commonly esteemed and called *Jura Regalia*, that this Ordinance, nor any thing therein contained, extend not, nor be construed to extend, to give power, or authority to the persons herein named, or any of them, to sell, dispose, or any way to contract for the said *Jura Regalia* belonging unto the said Bishop, or his predecessors as Counts Palatine, or any of them; but that the same shall remain in the said Trustees named in a late Ordinance entituled, (*An Ordinance for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England, and Dominion of Wales, and for settling their Lands, and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the Common-wealth*) to be disposed of as both Houses of Parliament shall think fit and appoint, any thing in this present Ordinance to the contrary thereof contained in any wise notwithstanding. Provided alwayes, and it is further declared, and ordained, That whereas the late Bishop of *Ely* and other his predecessors Bishops of *Ely*, have hitherto exercised and enjoyed sundry great Franchises, Liberties and Jurisdictions commonly called *Jura Regalia*, that this Ordinance nor any thing therein contained, extend not, nor be construed to extend to give power or authority to the persons herein named, or any of them to sell, dispose, or any way to contract for the said *Jura Regalia* belonging to the said Bishop or his predecessors or any of them, but that the same shall remain in the said Trustees named in a late Ordinance entituled (*An Ordinance for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales, and for settling their Lands,*

Proviso for the
Jura Regalia of
the Bishoprick
of *Ely*.

Lands, and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the Common-wealth) to be disposed of as both Houses shall think fit, and appoint any thing in this Ordinance to the contrary thereof contained in any wise notwithstanding. Provided also, That the buildings, fabrick, or seite of any Cathedrall Church, or Churches, or any Chappels belonging to such Cathedrall Church or Chappels, or any other Churches, Churchyards, or Places used for buriall, shall not be sold or disposed of by vertue of this Ordinance, any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, Provided alwayes that the Trustees, and the Treasurers for the time being, by vertue of this Ordinance, shall pay, or cause to be paid unto the Assembly of Divines their constant pay and allowance allowed unto them by former Orders of Parliament, with all their Arrears, out of the Rents, Revenues, and Profits belonging to the late Archbishoprick of *Canterbury*, untill such time as the Lands and Revenues aforesaid, shall happen to be sold away by vertue of this Ordinance. And it is further ordained, That if any person or persons, body politique or corporate, who shall be purchasers of any part of the premisses, shall hereafter be evicted out of any part of the premisses, by vertue of an eigne, right, title, or interest in, or unto the same; that in such case the said purchaser and purchasers so evicted, shall have full and due satisfaction, recompence and allowance, made to him and them for the monies paid or advanced for the said purchase, and that in such manner as both Houses of Parliament shall think fit. And if it be required by the purchaser or purchasers, or any of them, their, or any of their heires or assignes, one or more Acts of Parliament, or Letters Patents under the great Seal of *England* by authority of Parliament, shall hereafter passe or be made for the further assuring of the premisses, or any

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Churchyards
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right, &c.

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part of them unto such purchaser, or purchasers, their heires or assigns requiring the same.

The Treasurers named. And be it further ordained, That all Rents, Revenues, Issues, and profits, and all sum and sums of money that shall be due or payable by vertue of this present Ordinance for sale of any of the premisses, shall be received by the said *William Gibs* Alderman, *Thomas Noel*, and *Francis Ash*, who are hereby constituted, authorized, and appointed to be Treasurers for the receiving, issuing, and paying out the same at Goldsmith-Hall, or any other place where the Trustees or the major part of them shall from time to time think fit, within the City of *London*; and are hereby authorized and appointed to take and receive the subscriptions of every person, or persons, bodies politique, or corporate, that shall subscribe any sum or sums of money, for, and towards the raising of the said two hundred thousand pounds intended to be lent. And it is hereby

Taking of subscriptions.

The Treasurers upon Certificate to ascertain the money and interest upon the publique faith.

ordained, That the said Treasurers, or any two of them, shall be, and are hereby authorized, upon the receipts or certificates given by the former Treasurers, Receivers, or Collectors to any person or persons of what was formerly advanced by them in money, plate, horse, furniture, or arms, upon the publique Faith, or hath, or shall be assigned unto them by any others, upon producing of the same to the said Treasurers or any two of them, to ascertaine their principall and interest, and to give them Receipts for the same: As also, for the new money subscribed and paid by vertue of this present Ordinance, in the name of the parties to whom the same is owing, or so assigned; which Receipts given by the said Treasurers, shall be a good and sufficient ground to such persons to whom the same shall be so given, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, to require the sum and sums of money there-

And to give receipts for the same and their new money.

in mentioned: And further that it shall and may be lawfull for every person and persons, bodies politique, or corporate, who shall have any monies due to him or them by vertue of this present Ordinance, to grant and assign the same unto any person or persons whatsoever, and the same grant or assignment shall be good and effectuell to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and allowed of by all person and persons whatsoever, to whom it shall appertain to make any allowance thereof, as if he or they had lent the same themselves.

Monies due by this Ordinance may be assigned.

And if any person or persons shall wittingly or willingly produce any false or forged acquittance or certificate to the said Treasurers, thereby to defraud the Commonwealth; the person or persons so offending, shall lose and Forfeit his money lent towards the raising of the two hundred thousand pounds, or any way due to him for ready money, plate, horses, furniture, and arms, lent, or sent in by him upon the publique faith, or assigned unto him as aforesaid, the benefit whereof shall be for the use and benefit of the Common-wealth.

Forfeiture for procuring a forged Certificate.

And be it further ordered and ordained by the authority aforesaid, That every person or persons who shall subscribe as aforesaid, and not bring in the money so by him or them subscribed, within eight dayes after such subscription unto the Treasurers appointed by this present Ordinance for the Receipt of the same, shall lose and forfeit the money that shall be due unto him upon the publique faith; unlesse he shall shew unto the said Trustees, or the major part of them, some reasonable cause to be by them allowed. And be it further ordained, that the said Treasurers hereby constituted and appointed for the receiving and issuing out of the said money, shall not issue or pay out any of the said sum of two hundred thousand pounds to be borrowed

Money subscribed to be paid within 8 daies.

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Ordinance of
Parliament.

The Treasurers
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but by order of
the Trustees,

The Lenders are
to be paid the
fourth part of
their monies in
course, &c.

But if he pur-
chase he may
deduct his money
by this Ordinance.

borrowed for the use of the Common-wealth, as aforesaid, but by Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament : which Ordinance, with the Receipt of the party or parties to whom the money is appointed to be payed, shall be a good and sufficient discharge to the said Treasurers, their Heires, Executors, and Administrators: and the said Treasurers shall not dispose, disburse, or pay any other sum or sums of money that shall come to their treasury, or be paid unto them out of the profits, or by sale of any of the premisses, but by warrant of the said other Trustees, or the major part of them ; who are hereby required to give no Warrant for the disposing, issuing or paying out of any sum or sums of money, that shall be received by vertue of this Ordinance, but for the purposes in this Ordinance contained. And if any warrant shall be made for any other purpose, the same shall be void.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, That as the said Treasurers shall receive ready monies by sale of the premisses, or by receipt of the Rents and Profits of the same, deducting charges and allowances, they shall pay and divide the same to the lenders, one fourth part of their whole debt that shall be owing to them in course, as they did pay their money, with the interest then due ; and so from time to time, till the whole be paid. Provided alwayes, and it is hereby declared, that it shall and may be lawfull for every lender, or lenders, who shall become a purchaser of any part of the said premisses, to defalk, or retain any money that shall be due unto him by vertue of this present Ordinance, upon every purchase that he or they shall make, if the sum by him lent shall not exceed the value of the purchase, or so much thereof as the same shall amount unto. And the said Treasurers shall allow the same accordingly.

And

And be it further Ordained, that the said Treasurers shall keepe true and perfect Books of accounts of all their receipts, disbursements and payments, and shall give their accounts to the Committee for taking the accounts of the whole Kingdome for the time being, who are hereby required to take the same every six months, and thereupon to give just discharges to the said Treasurers. And after such discharges, the said Treasurers, their Heires, Executors, and Administrators, shall not be further questioned for, or concerning any of the matters for which they have had, and received such discharges.

The Treasurers
to give accounts
to the Committee
of accounts.

And further, the said Treasurers shall have deducted and paid unto them the sum of one penny in the pound, for all monies by them to be received and paid.

One penny per
pound to the
Treasurers.

And to the intent that according to the true meaning of the said first recited Ordinance, the true contents and value of all and singular the premises may be knowne, and the best benefit and advantage of them may be made for the use and benefit of the Common-wealth. Be it Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, That *Hen. Elsing* Esq; Clerk of the House of Commons, shall be Register and Keeper of, and shall have the custody and keeping of all Records, Charters, Evidences, Court-Rolls, Leiger-books, Writings, books of Survey, Remalls, Certificates, and other things of, or concerning the Lands and Possessions of the late Archbishops and Bishops, or concerning any the Counties-Palatine, Honors, Mannors, Castles, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or other the premises in the above recited Ordinance, and herein mentioned.

Keeper of the
records.

And that all and every the Surveyors of the premises shall make their Returnes of all and every their respective Surveyes by them taken from time to time, to the said *Henry Elsing*, who shall make Entry of all such Surveyes, Cer-

Surveyors to
make their re-
turnes to the said
officer.

And the Con-
tractors of their
Contracts.

The Registers
Fees.

signifies, and other proceedings, as shall from time to time be returned or certified by the said Surveyor or Surveyors of the premisses; And shall also make forth, Rate, and Signe all and every particular and particulars of the premisses, or any part thereof, whereupon any Contract or Contracts for sale or otherwise shall, or is to be had or made. And all and every the said Contractors shall certify all Contracts so by them, or any of them made, to the said *Henry Elsing*, accordingly, who shall make Entry of all and every such Contract and Contracts, and other proceedings thereupon: Every which said particular and particulars of the said premisses so to be made forth under the hand of the said *Henry Elsing*, shall be from time to time a good and sufficient Authority to and for the said Contractors, or any six or more of them, to contract, agree, or proceed thereupon; To have, hold, execute and enjoy the said office or place of Register and Keeper, by himselfe, or his sufficient Deputy, together with the yearly Fee of one hundred pounds *per annum*, payable out of the Receipts, Rents, and Revenues arising out of the premisses, by the hands of the Treasurers herein before mentioned; on the Five and twentyeth day of *March* the Four and twentyeth day of *June*, the Nine and twentyeth day of *September*, and the Five and twentyeth day of *December*, Quarterly, by equal portions, and other reasonable Fees for writing, rating, and signing of the said particulars, and otherwise in the execution and discharge of the said place; Provided that the said Register and Keeper shall have but Three pence the sheet, of all things that are to be copied, and to write Fifteene lines in each sheet: Which said yearly Fee of one hundred pounds, the said Treasurers are hereby required and authorized to pay accordingly, and that the Acquittance of the said *Henry Elsing*

Elſynge ſhall be a good Diſcharge to the ſaid Treasu-
 and every of them, for the payment thereof as aforeſaid.

And it is hereby further Ordered and Ordained by the
 Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Truſtees, or the ma-
 jor part of them, the Survivors of them, or the major part
 of them, their Survivors, and the Heires of the ſaid Sur-
 vivors, ſhall and may from time to time nominate and ap-
 point under their hands and ſeales reſpectively, ſo many
 perſons as they ſhall thinke fit to be Surveyors for the
 putting of this Ordinance in execution touching the Sur-
 veying of the premiſſes: Who ſhall have power to goe in
 to all and every the Countie, Cities, and Places within
 the Kingdome of *England*, and Dominion of *Wales*, or
 into ſo many of them as ſhall be thought fit.

And it is further ordained by the authority aforeſaid,
 That the ſaid Surveyors, or other perſons to be authori-
 zed, as aforeſaid, or any three or more of them, ſhall have
 full power and authority to enter into and ſurvey all, or
 any of the premiſſes, or any part thereof; and they, or a-
 ny three or more of them, ſhall alſo have full power and
 authority, as well by the Oaths of good and lawfull men,
 as by all other good and lawfull wayes and means, to in-
 quire and finde out what Countie-Palatine, Honors,
 Mannors, Lordſhips, Granges, Meſſuages, Lands, Ten-
 ements, meadows, Leaſaws, Paſtures, Woods, Rents,
 Reversions, Services, Parkes, Annuities, and other poſ-
 ſeſſions, priviledges, liberties, immunities and ſtred-
 ments whatſoever, of what nature or quality ſoever they
 be, lying, or being within every ſuch Countie or City as
 aforeſaid, did at any time belong or appertaine unto all,
 every, or any ſuch Archbiſhops, or Biſhops, in right of
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 ctively, or to any other perſon or perſons in truſt for

Surveyors to be
 nominated by
 the Truſtees.

The Surveyors
 authority.

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 more of them
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In any City or
 Countie.

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3. What Rents.

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5. To make an
exact Survey.

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Surveys and
writings to be
kept in such
place in London
or Westminster,
as the Trustees
or the major
part shall ap-
point.

The Surveyors
to keep Courts.
And to cause
men to show
their writings &
evidences.

them, or any of them, as aforesaid, in right of the said
Archbishopricks, and Bishopricks, and what, and how
much of the same is in possession, and the true yearly va-
lue thereof, and what, and how much thereof is in Lease,
and for what estate, &c. when, and how determinable; when
such Leases or Estate was made, and whether antedated,
and what Rents, Services, and other duties are reserved
and payable during such Estate, or thing out of the same:
As also, what Rents, Pensions, Charges, or other sums of
Money are issuing, due, or payable out of the premises, or
any part thereof: And what Lands or Premises are sub-
ject, or chargeable to, and with any good, pious, and cha-
ritable use, or uses, and the certainty of the same; and to
make one, or more exact and particular Survey or Surveys,
and Certificates of their proceedings, which certificate
and surveys shall be recorded, and all Charters, Eviden-
ces, Court-Rolls, and other Writings belonging to all,
or any the Archbishopricks, Bishops, Archbishopricks, or
Bishopricks, or concerning any of the Counties-Palatine,
Honors, Mannors, Castles, Lands, Tenements, Heredi-
taments, or any other the premises before mentioned,
shall be kept in such place in London, or Westminster, as
the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall thinke
fit and appoint. And that the said Surveyors, or any three,
or more of them, shall have power and authority, so of-
ten as they shall be therunto appointed by the said Tru-
stees, or the major part of them, to keep Courts of Sur-
vey within any of the Counties-Palatine, Honors, Man-
nors, and Premises. And to call before them any of the
Tenants, or other persons whom they shall conceive to
have any interest in any of the Premises, to shew their
Writings and Evidences, and discover what right title, or
interest they or any of them have, or may claime, of, in, or

or out of the same, or any part thereof. And also to examine by oath or otherwise any person or persons (other then such as have or claime to have interest or title therein) for, or concerning the discovery of the Consents, Metes, Bonds, Extents, Titles, Rents, Improvements, Valuations, and Jurisdiccions, of all, or any of the Premises: And for the discovering of any Records, Evidences, Writings, or Memorandums concerning the same: And that as well the said Trustees, or any three of of them, as the said severall Surveyors so authorized, or any three or more of them as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to administer an Oath concerning the premises, to any person or persons (other then such as have, or claime to have any interest or title concerning such the Premises as shall be in question:) And also to commit to prison any person or persons (other then such as have, or claime to have any interest or title as aforesaid) that shall refuse to take suchan Oath, or discover his knowledge concerning the estate, title, or evidences of any the Lands hereby intended to be sold and disposed of, or refuse to deliver such Evidences and Writings concerning the same, which are in his custody or power, and doe not concerne the maintenance or defence of his interest, or such Rents and Profits as he had title unto. And all Iustices of Peace, Sheriffs, Majors, Bayliffs, and other persons, are hereby required to be aiding and assisting to the said Surveyors, or any of them, in the executing of this Ordinance: provided that it shall not extend to the imprisoning of any Peer of this Realme. And be it further Ordered and Ordained by the authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of Excise and New Impos for the time being, are hereby charged and required upon the Certificate of the said Trustes, certifying what summe or summes of money be due and payable

To examine by oath.

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All Iustices of peace to assist the Surveyors, shoudon I atts To Provide for Peers.

The Commissioners of Excise to pay interest for the monies due by this ordinance.

payable to any person or persons, bodies politique or corporate, by vertue of this present Ordinance to pay interest after the rate of eight pounds in the hundred for the same revery such person or persons, bodies politique and corporate, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assignes at the end of every six months during the time that the said sum and sums of money, or any part thereof shall remain unpaid; which certificate the said Treasurers are hereby authorised and required to make accordingly. And in case the whole two hundred thousand pounds, or so much thereof as shall be lent, and the interest thereof, and such other sum and sums as are payable by this present Ordinance for mony, plate, horses, with furniture and arms, formerly advanced with the interest thereof, shall not be satisfied by the Treasurers aforesaid, before al sums of mony charged upon the said Excise or New Impost, by vertue of any Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament, made before the twentieth day of *September* last (except the two Ordinances of Parliament for ten thousand pounds, and four hundred pounds for the Widows) shall be by the said Commissioners of Excise paid and satisfied, that then the said Commissioners of Excise upon the like certificate from the said Treasurers as aforesaid, shall be, and are hereby charged, and chargeable to pay the same with interest as aforesaid, or so much thereof as shall be then due and unpaid, and shall begin to pay the same when they have in ready mony one fourth part of the whole debt that shall be owing to the lenders in course, as they did pay their mony, with the interest then due, and so continue untill the whole mony hereby secured to be paid and then unpaid, shall be fully paid and satisfied, in such manner as the Treasurers before mentioned were appointed to pay the same, and the said certificates of the

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the Treasurers.

the said Treasurers with the receipt of the respective lenders shall be a good discharge to the said Commissioners of Excise and every of them, for their payment of any sum or sums of money by vertue of this present Ordinance: And to the end a just and true Accompt, and Registry may be made, and kept of all and singular the debts and monies owing by the Parliament to such person and persons as shall advance, or lend any sum or sums of money upon the security of the Bishops Lands, and the Grand receipt of the Excise in course, or which of them shall first be enabled to furnish monies for the repayment thereof, as also of all payments and disbursements which shall be made, or issue out of the same, Be it ordained by the authority aforesaid, That for and during the pleasure of both Houses of Parliament there be, and shall be one Register Accomptant, who shall keep a true and plain accompt, or accompts of all and every debt and debts due, or owing by the Parliament for plate, money, horse, or their furniture, to any person, or persons, which shall have advanced or lent monies as aforesaid, and also of all such interest as is, or shall be due upon, or for the same, which said Register Accomptant shall have full power, and is hereby authorized, to view, peruse, and take Copies of all and every books, writings, and entries, in whose hands or custody soever they or any of them are or shall be, wherein are, or ought to be registred or entred any monies, plate, or horses, with their furniture which hath been lent, or set forth for the service of the Parliament, to the end he may be the better enabled to discover and finde out whether according to the notes, entries, and accompts, as shall be brought in upon the foresaid advance, the plate, monies, horses, and furniture mentioned therein, were at the daies and times therein contained truly and really lent, and set forth

The Office of
the Register
Accomptant.

The Register Accomprant to certify what debts are justly chargeable with interest.

forth for the service of the Parliament or not; and upon due examination made thereof, the said Register Accomprant shall make true certificate of all such debts which he shall finde to be justly charged, together with the interest due for the same unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being, appointed by both Houses of Parliament for the receiving of the monies which shall be advanced upon the foresaid security; upon whose approbation or allowance the said Register Accomprant shall give due credit for the same upon accompt, that so it may plainly appear how much, and to whom the Parliament is indebted; and when any monies are paid or issued forth, hee shall also make the parties receiving the same debtor upon the same Accompt, and perform all other requisite services appertaining to the said place. And the said Lords and Commons taking into their considerations the faithfull and good service of Collonel Robert Manwaring; do hereby constitute and appoint him the said Collonel Robert Manwaring to be Register Accomprant of all and singular the Accompts and Registries, which shall be kept of, or concerning the premises; to hold, execute, and enjoy the same Office of Register Accomprant, together with the yearly Fee of two hundred pounds *per annum*, payable out of the rents and proceed out of the Bishops Lands, by the hands of the Treasurers thereof for the time being, on the five and twentieth day of *March*, and the twenty ninth day of *September*, half yearly by equal portions. And for such Clerks or under-Officers as shall be employed in and about the premises, the same shall be approved of by the said Treasurers, and receive such reasonable salary for their service as the said Treasurers shall from time to time think fit to allow.

Robert Manwaring.

His Fee.

And it is further Ordained, that *John Fowke* Alderman

man, of the City of London, shall be Comptroller of all Entries, Receipts, and payments, which shall be made to or by the said Treasurers, and shall have power and authority by himself, or his sufficient Deputies, to keep account of all entries, receipts, payments, and discompts whatsoever, which shall be made unto or by the said Treasurers; And the said Comptroller and his Deputies shall execute the said place of Comptroller in the premises, according to the instructions hereafter mentioned, and such other instructions as the said Comptroller shall from time to time receive from both Houses of Parliament.

The Office of
Comptroller,

And it is further hereby Ordained, That the said *John Fawke* shall have for his salary the yearly sum of two hundred pounds to be paid him quarterly by the said Treasurers, who are hereby authorized and appointed to pay the same, for which this present Ordinance with his receipt, shall be their sufficient discharge. And for the better securing of the principal monies and the interest herein mentioned, Be it Ordered and Ordained, that the Excise and New Impost upon commodities, mentioned in the Ordinance of the eleventh of *September*, one thousand six hundred forty and three, or any Ordinance or Ordinances of this present Parliament, made in explanation and continuance thereof, shall be continued, taken and put in due execution, untill such time as all sums of money payable by vertue of this present Ordinance, shall be paid and satisfied, and the payment of the said monies to be due and payable by vertue of this Ordinance, shall not be deferred, put by, or deferred from being paid out of the said Excise, as aforesaid, by any Order or Orders, Ordinance or Ordinances, of one or both Houses of Parliament, or otherwise by the payment of any other or further sum or sums of money, then the same was and is charged with upon the said twentieth of *September* last past, (except as

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is before excepted.) And the Commissioners of the said Excise and new Impost for the time being, are hereby charged and required, not to dispose or pay any monies that they shall receive for the New impost or Excise, after the same shall be charged in course as aforesaid, with the payment of any of the principall mony in this Ordinance contained, untill such time as the same, together with the interest and every part thereof then behind and unpaid, shall be paid unto the person or persons, bodies politique or corporate, their Executors, Administrators, Successors, or Assigns, to whom, upon the certificate of the said Treasurers as aforesaid, the same shall be found due for any sum of mony that shall be lent for and towards the raising of the said two hundred thousand pound now to be raised, and of the said sum of mony heretofore lent upon the publique faith, which with the interest as aforesaid, is to be paid by vertue of this present Ordinance.

This Ordinance
pleadable in all
Courts.

And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the said first recited Ordinance, and this present Ordinance, and every Article, Clause, and thing therein contained, shall be pleadable, and may be given in evidence in any of His Majesties Courts of Justice, or other Courts, and the Judges of all the said Courts are required to allow and admit the same.

Act of Parlia-
ment for securi-
ty of Trustees
and lenders.

And it is also Ordered and Ordained, by the authority aforesaid, That if the Trustees, or any of them, shall require it on the behalfe of themselves or the lenders, one or more Acts, or Acts of Parliament, or Letters Patents under the great Seal of *England*, shall be passed for their or any of their further security.

Printing and
publishing of
this Ordinance.

And it is lastly Ordained, That this present Ordinance, and the former recited Ordinances, shall be printed and published in all Countyes, and other Cities, Towns corporate, Parishes, Towns, Hamlets, and other places where the

the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall think fit. And that the care of the true printing thereof is hereby referred to the said Trustees, or the major part of them.

Provided alwayes, and be it Ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that neither this Ordinance, nor any branch, clause, article, or thing therein contained, shall extend to the great capital Messuage, with the appurtenances situate in *Chancery lane London*, commonly called or known by the name of Serjeants Inne in *Chancery lane*, wherein the Judges and Serjeants of the Law, have for a long time lodged and resided, and still do lodge and reside, nor to any part of *Lincolns Inne in Chancery lane*; nor shall in any wise be prejudiciall or any disturbance to the quiet possession of the said Judges or Serjeants that now are, or shall at any time hereafter reside and lodge in the said Messuage, or to any of the Society of *Lincolns Inne* within *Lincolns Inne* aforesaid, any thing in this present Ordinance contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding; but that the said Messuage and *Lincolns Inne* aforesaid, with the appurtenances, shall continue and be houses of lodging and residence to and for the said Judges and Serjeants, and others of *Lincolns Inne* aforesaid, and for their use and benefit, in such manner as they have been used and accustomed at and under the yearly rents usually paid for the same, for the time that the said rents are to continue by any Leases now in being. And that the said Trustees appointed by Order of Parliament for the Bishops Lands, and the Survivor, and Survivors of them, their heirs, and assigns, shall dispose of the said Messuage, with the appurtenances, from time to time, as by the said Judges and Serjeants for the time being shall be directed and appointed, saving to all and every person and persons other then the said Bishops and their Successors, all such Right, Title and Interest as they or any

Serjeants Inne.

of

of them have, or ought to have to, and in the premisses.

Serjeants Inne.

Provided further, and be it Ordained, That the said Serjeants Inne shall be in the disposing of both Houses of Parliament, after the expiration of any Lease now in being, saving to all and every person and persons other then the said Bishops and their Successors, all such Right, Title, and Interest, as they or any of them have or ought to have, to, and in the premisses.

Former Stewards to contribute.



Provided alwaies that this Ordinance shall not extend to the putting out of any Stewards of any Liberties or Courts formerly appointed and made by vertue of any Ordinance of Parliament, but that they shall continue and be, during such time as the said Liberties and Courts shall remain and be in the hands of the aforesaid Trustees, and that they shall have and receive all such Fees, Profits, and allowances, as formerly were allowed them, this Ordinance or any other Ordinance, Act, or thing to the contrary notwithstanding.



Instructions for a Comptroll upon the Accompts of all monies to be received and paid by or to the Treasurers appointed by this present Ordinance.

Thus the Comptroller by himself, or his sufficient Deputies, attend daily according to the usual times, and be present at all receipts and payments, made within the said Treasurers Office, and make Duplicates or Entries of the same in strong books, to be provided and kept for this purpose.

That every Tenant of the Premises, or any part thereof,

and every purchaser of the premises; or any part thereof, upon every payment of any sum of monies that he shall make to the Treasurer, shall enter his acquittance with the Comptroller, which the Comptroller shall enter without fee.

III.

That the said Treasurers or their Clerk to the Cash, shall weekly upon every Munday morning deliver the Comptroller or his Deputy, a copy of all Receipts, Payments, and Disbursements, and to whom, during the preceding week; which the Comptroller is hereby required to enter in a book to be kept for that purpose; & that no payment to be made by the said Treasurers, shall be allowed upon their Account, unless an Account thereof be weekly given as aforesaid.

IV.

That the Register shall weekly from time to time make certificate to the Comptroller of all Rents, and of all rates of particulars, and of all monies payable upon any such particulars, contracts, or bargains, made by virtue of this Ordinance, which shall be forborn upon security, and how, and by whom the same is secured, and at what time payable, which certificate the Comptroller shall enter in a book, to be by him kept for that purpose.

Instructions for Contractors for the sale of the late Archbishops and Bishops Lands.

THE Contractors shall be sworn before the Justices, & any three of them, according to their best skill and knowledge, faithfully to discharge the trust committed to them, and that they shall not for favour, affection, or

Contractors
Oath.

ward or hope of reward, break the same trust; which said Trustees, or any three of them are hereby authorized to administer the said Oath accordingly.

That the Demesne Lands of the late Archbishops and Bishops in possession, shall not be sold under ten years purchase, of the full values they were at in the year 1641. The same rule to be observed proportionably in the sale of reversions, expectant upon Estates for lives or years.

Due respect.

That the due respect to be had by the Contractors to the immediate Tenants, of any of the late Archbishops or Bishops, shall be in admitting them to the pre-emption of those Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments wherein they have any interest, so as the said Tenants do come within thirty dayes after the returne of the certificates by the Surveyors, and agree to purchase the same; and in case they do not agree within the said thirty dayes, that then the Contractors do sell the same to any other person or persons that shall desire to purchase them, so as such sale be made at a higher rate then was offered by the said Tenants.

Security to the
Treasurers.

That upon the sealing of the assurance, the purchaser shall pay half his purchase mony down, and the other half within six months; and for the last payment the ~~Contractors~~ shall take care, that they take good security either by the Land it self, or else by personall security. The same security to be given to the Treasurers.

That in all cases where any person or persons, that have lent any monies upon this Ordinance shall be purchasers, their monies so lent shall be esteemed as so much paid towards their Purchase, if it exceed not the moiety of the purchase mony; and for what exceeds the moiety, that every such purchaser shall be allowed interest for it, untill the end of six months, wherein the remainder or totall of the purchase mony is to be paid.

Instructions



Instructions for the Surveyors of the late Arch-Bishops and Bishops Lands, which are to be surveyed.

THat the Trustees as aforesaid shall have power to nominate one, two, three, or more Surveyors to survey the Premises, or any part of them as they shall thinke fit, and that the surveyes and returnes made by any such one, two, three, or more Surveyors, shall be good and effectuell to be proceeded upon, notwithstanding any Clause in any Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary.

1, 2, 3, or more Surveyors.

That the Surveyor or Surveyors appointed or to be appointed by the Trustees, shall survey and inquire what Timber, buildings, open Quarries, or Mines are upon any of the Premises, and certifie the condition and values thereof.

That no Surveyor, or any his Child or Children, or any in trust for him or them, shall be admitted to be a Purchaser of any part of the Lands surveyed, or to be surveyed by himselfe, upon paine of losing his or their Purchase Money, and the Purchase to be void.

Surveyors not to be purchasers.

Provided, that nothing in the instructions, Oath, or in this present Ordinance, shall be construed to compell the Surveyors to make any admeasurement of the Lands,

Admeasurement.

or

or any particular Survey, of the number of Acres, unless they in their discretion shall thinke fit, the intention of the Houses being, That the said Surveyors should make a speedy returne of their severall surveyes, to the end that a speedy sale may be made thereupon.

Instructions to be observed by the Register.

I.

To receive and register all surveyes.

That he doe receive all Surveyes, and Certificates to be returned by the Surveyors, and immediately after the receipt thereof, fairely enter and Register the same in Books, to be kept by him for that purpose, and in an orderly manner file, bundle up, and safely lay up, and keepe the Originals.

II.

And certifie them to the Contractors.

That he do weekly or oftner certifie unto the Contractors, what Surveyes and Certificates are returned to him, and of what Manours, or otherwise as the case shall require.

III.

And make forth particulars.

That upon Warrant and Direction from the Contractors, he do make forth, and fairely ingrosse in Parchment, particulars of all such Manours, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Buildings, Woods, or other things surveyed and certified into his Office, by the Surveyors, whereupon the Contractors are to proceed, or intend to make any sale, and that he do examine and signe the same particulars, and deliver them to the Contractors.

IIII.

Particulars to be returned to the Register.

That upon Contract or Agreement made by the Contractors, for any Manours, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Buildings, Woods, or other thing contained in any particular made forth, signed and delivered unto them by the Register, the said particular be returned to the Register,

ster, together with the Order of Agreement or Contract made with the Purchaser thereupon,

That upon returne thereof, he do forthwith rate the particular, and ascertaine the purchase Money, how much it comes to, at how many yeares Purchase the particulars contracted for are sold, and enter the same upon the said particular, together with such other proceedings as shall be required by the Contract.

Rating the particulars.

That he do returne the particular thus rated and ascertained to the Contractors, who are to signe the same, to attest the Agreement, and thereupon to desire and give Warrant to the Trustees to draw up and scale conveyances thereof to the Purchasers accordingly.

The Trustees to draw up and scale conveyances.

That all particulars thus finished, together with all proceedings thereupon, be fairely entred or Registered by the Register, and be safely kept by him as Records, and that after such entring and registering thereof, the Register do deliver the said particulars unto the Trustees, to perfect the sale as aforesaid.

Particulars to be registered delivered to the Trustees.

And to the end this service may be performed in such manner as the Register may be able from time to time to give an account of all proceedings (if he shall be required) to the Parliament, himselfe, or one of his Deputies, are to attend upon, and enter all Orders and Proceedings before the Contractors.

Register or his Deputy to attend the Contractors.

That he do weekly make Certificate to the Treasurers, Comptroller, and Register, accomptant of all Rents, and all Rates of particulars, and of all Moneyes payable upon any Contract upon any particular, how much thereof is to be paid in hand, and how much to be forborne, and for what time, and how, and in what manner the sum or sums to be forborne are to be secured.

Certificate to the Treasurers of rents and moneyes payable.

That he do methodize and put in good order all Characters,

To methodize writings.

ters, Evidences, and Writings, belonging to the late Archbishops, and Bishops, and all Books of Survey, and other things to be delivered to his care and custody, to be kept by him as Records, and make Catalogues of them, and fit them in such manner, as the Subject may readily see, and have Copies (if he desire it) of whatsoever shall be brought into the Registers Office, and be under his charge and custody,

17. November, 1646.

300 L. per an.
to Alderman
Fowke.

Ordere*d by the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, That there be an additionall allowance of three hundred pounds per annum, allowed and paid unto Mr. Alderman Fowke, for his salary, for his execution of the place of Comptroller of the Receipts of Monies mentioned in the Ordinance, for the appointing the sale of the late Bishops Lands, over and above the two hundred pounds per annum, appointed by the said Ordinance.*

Joh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Printing.

IT is this day Ordered by the Lords in Parliament assembled, that the severall Ordinances printed for the sale of the Bishops Lands shall be called in; And that the Trustees therein mentioned, or the major part of them, shall take care for the true printing thereof, according to the said Ordinance: Any Order whatsoever notwithstanding.

Joh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

Die Sabbathi, 28. Novembris, 1646.

BE it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, that the Messuage or Mansion house, of, or belonging unto Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, late Lord Major of the City of *London*, a Delinquent, situate in the Old Jury *London*, shall be applyed and made use of by the Trustees, and Contractors in the late Ordinance for appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands, for their sitting in, and for their better accommodation in the discharge of the trust thereby reposed in them respectively, and likewise for the safe keeping and laying up of all Records, Evidences, Writings, Books, and other things appointed to be layed up and kept by the Register in the said Ordinance mentioned, and for such of the Officers, and other uses, as the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall appoint.

Sir Richard
Gurney's house

Job. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

The 28. of December, 1646.

At the Committee of Trustees for Bishops Lands.

The Treasury
and Records
re. be kept in
Sir Richard
Gurnies house.

WHereas by severall Ordinances of Parliament made concerning the sale of Bishops Lands, it is appointed, that the Treasury lately kept at *Goldsmiths Hall London*: And all Charters, Deeds, and Writings touching the Lands of the late Bishops, should be kept in such place in the said City of *London*, as the Trustees therein mentioned; or the major part of them should from time to time think fit. And whereas by another Ordinance of Parliament, dated the eight and twentieth day of *November* last, the Messuage, or Mansion house of Sir *Richard Gurnie* Knight, situate in the Old Jury *London*, was appointed to be applyed and made use of by the Trustees and Contractors for the sale of Bishops Lands, and for keeping of the Records and Writings which are to be kept by the Register, and for such of the Officers, and other uses, as the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall appoint: It is thereupon Ordered by the said Trustees, that the said Treasury, Records, Deeds, and Evidences, shall be from henceforth kept in the said House in the Old Jury, *London*.

John Rolfe, Clerk to the Trustees.



30 November, 1646. B.A.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons

assembled in Parliament for explanation and better putting in execution the late Ordinance, intituled, *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for appointing the sale of Bishops Lands for the use of the Commonwealth.*

THe Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament do hereby Declare and Ordaine, that Collonell *Robert Manwaring* appointed to be Register Accomprant by the former Ordinance for the sale of Bishops Lands, is, and be hereby authorized upon

the Receipts or Certificates given by the former Treasurers, Receivers or Collectors of money, plate, horse, furniture or arms advanced upon the publick Faith, to ascertain the Principal and Interest thereof, and that his Certificate to the Treasurers appointed by the said former Ordinance, shall be a sufficient Voucher for them to proceed thereupon to the receiving of the money, and giving their receipts according to the former Ordinance: And that twenty shillings *per diem* shall be allowed to the Treasurers for their Clerks and Tellers, the said allowance to continue for a yeare and to be distributed among them according to the discretion of the said Treasurers. And that all other charges incident to the Treasury, which shall be discharged and paid by the said Treasurers, shall be allowed to them by the Committee hereafter named, or any five of them. And that the Comptroller appointed by the said former Ordinance, shall upon the weekly account

Col. Manwaring to ascertain the principal and interest of monies, plate, &c. advanced

And upon the certificate the Treasurers to receive the money, and give Receipts. Twenty shillings per day allowed to the Treasurers Clerks for a year.

And all other charges incident to the Treasury, to be allowed by the Committee hereafter named. The Comptroller to give acknowledgement thereof.

Certificate of
the Commissa-
ries for Horfes
shall be accep-
ted.

For determi-
ning of doubts
concerning the
validity of any
Warrant made
to the Treasu-
rers, a Com-
mittee of Parlia-
ment is appoint-
ed.

given unto him by the said Treasurers, give a receipt or acknowledgement thereof in writing under his, or his Deputies hands to the said Treasurers for their justification therein. And further, that the Certificate of the Commissaries and others authorized for the listing of horses, furniture, or arms, who have power to give the publick faith for the same, shall be accepted and allowed for as good and sufficient as the Receipts or Certificates of the Treasurers, Collectors, or Receivers of money or plate. And for the settling and determining of any further doubt which may arise concerning the validity of any warrant made by the Trustees of the *Bishops Lands* to the said Treasurers for the issuing out of any money, That the Earl of *Northumberland*, Earl of *Kent*, Earl of *Russland*, Earl of *Pembroke*, Earl of *Lincoln*, Earl of *Nottingham*, Earl of *Suffolk*, Earl of *Salisbury*, Earl of *Warwick*, Earl of *Derby*, Earl of *Middlesex*, Earl of *Manchester*, Earl of *Malgrave*, Earl of *Stamford*, Viscount *Hereford*, Viscount *Say and Seal*, Lord *Berkly*, Lord *Dacres*, Lord *Wharton*, Lord *Willoughby*, Lord *North*, Lord *Hunsdon*, Lord *Mountague*, Lord *Gray of Wark*, Lord *Roberts*, Lord *Maynard*, Lord *Howard*, and Lord *Bruce*, Mr. *Hollis*, Mr. *Francis Allen*, Sir *Philip Stapleton*, Mr. *John Ash*, Sir *John Clotworthy*, Sir *Symonds D'ewes*, Mr. *Walter Long*, Sir *John Temple*, Sir *William Lewis*, Sir *William Spring*, Sir *John Hobart*, Coll. *Harvey*, Mr. *Got*, Mr. *Recorder*, Sir *Hen. Vane senior*, Mr. *Leigh*, Mr. *Reynolds*, Mr. *Tate*, Sir *John Evelin of Surrey*, Mr. *Roll*, Sir *Samuel Roll*, Mr. *Bond*, Mr. *Bal*, Mr. *Nical*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Blackiston*, M. *Pierpoint*, Sir *Peter Wentworth*, Sir *Iohn Curson*, Sir *Walter Erle*, Sir *Robert Harley*, Mr. *Crew*, Sir *Gregory Norton*, Lieutenant General *Crommel*, Sir *Robert Pye*, Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Mr. *Knighly*, Sir *Iohn Burgoine*,

*Burgoyne, Mr. Ross, Mr. Strobe, Sir Anthony Irby, Mr. Humphrey Edwards, Mr. Drake, Mr. Prideaux, Mr. Alderman Atkin, Sir Thomas Soume, Alderman Pennington, Mr. Vassal, Collonel Ven, or any five of them, shall be, and are hereby constituted a Committee of Parliament for the purposes aforesaid, and shall have power and authority to hear and determine the same in case the said Trustees or Treasurers shall desire it. And that a warrant under any five of the hands of the said Committee shall be a sufficient authority to them, and every of them to proceed accordingly in the execution of the said Ordinance. And it is hereby lastly Declared and Ordained by the authority aforesaid, That all persons, as well those who have lent upon the publick faith, as those that shall advance or lend any sum of mony for the purposes in the said Ordinance mentioned, untill the 200000*l.* intended by the said Ordinance to be raised shall be brought in, shall have the same security for the repayment thereof, together with interest for the same, after the rate of eight per centum, as those who having formerly lent upon the publick faith as aforesaid, and do now lend upon the said Ordinance are to have.*

All persons, as well those who have formerly lent upon the publick faith, as others shall have the same repaid with Interest.

H. Elsyge Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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An additional Ordinance of the Lords
and Commons assembled in
Parliament.

For the alteration and explanation of the
Oath formerly appointed to be taken by the
Surveyors of the Bishops Lands, &c.

Die Jovis, 24 Decembris, 1646.



Be it hereby Ordained by the Lords and
Commons in this present Parliament
assembled, and by the authority of the
same, that instead of the Oath formerly
appointed to be taken by Surveyors
of the Bishops Lands, this Oath fol-
lowing shall be taken by them respec-
tively, *In hec verba:*

The Surveyors
Oath.

I A. B. do sweare that I will faithfully and truly, ac-
cording to my best skil and knowledge, execute the place
of Surveyor, according to the purport of two severall
Ordinances, The one entituled, *An Ordinance of Parli-
ament for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within
the Kingdome of England, and Dominion of Wales, and
for setting of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for
the use of the Common-wealth:* The other entituled, *An
Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parlia-
ment, for appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands for the
use*

use of the Commonwealth; and according to the Instructions thereunto added, I shall use my best endeavour and skill to discover the Estate therein mentioned, and every part thereof which shall be given me in charge, and to find out the true values and improvements thereof; and thereof shall make true Surveys, according to my best skill and cunning, and the same from time to time to deliver in writing close sealed up, unto *Henry Elsing* Esquire, the Register in that behalfe appointed, together with a true Copy or Duplicate thereof, likewise close sealed up to the said Trustees, or any two of them, according to the true intent and meaning of the said recited Ordinances: And this I shall justly and faithfully execute, without any gift or reward, directly or indirectly, from any person or persons whatsoever, except such allowances as the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall think fit to make unto me for my pains and charges in the executing of the said Place or Office.

And be it further Ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall have power, and are hereby authorized from time to time, to call to accompt any Surveyor or Surveyors, or other Officers by them named and appointed. And if they shall finde them, or any of them defective or unfaithfull in performance of the Duties or Trust in them reposed, then to remove them, or any of them which they shall so finde defective or unfaithfull, and to nominate and appoint others in their steads. Nevertheless it is hereby Ordained and Declared, that the Copies or Duplicates of all Surveys, to be returned to the said Trustees as aforesaid, so soone as assurances shall be made to the purchasers of the Lands, or other things therein contained, shall forthwith be delivered over by the said Trustees

The Trustees to call Surveyors to accompt and remove those that are defective or unfaithfull.

The Duplicates of the Surveys to be delivered to the Register when all the Lands are sold.

The Trustees
nor any employ-
ed by them are
not to make a-
ny copies.

or the major part of them, unto the Register aforesaid, to be bundled up and safely kept by him in like manner, as the other part of the said Surveys returned to him by the said Surveyors is appointed to be kept. And that the said Trustees, or any employed by them, do not make entry of, or at any time make or deliver out any Copies of the said Duplicates for the use and benefit of any private or particular person, or otherwise, to the prejudice of the said Register.

And be it lastly Ordained that this present Ordinance shall be printed and published in all Counties and other Cities, Towns Corporate, Parishes, Towns Hamblets, and other places where the said Trustees, or the major part of them shall think fit: And that the care of the true printing thereof is hereby referred to the said Trustees, or the major part of them.

Job, Brown Cleric. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Die

Die Veneris, 5 Martii, 1646.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament,

For the better Explaining and Executing of the former Ordinances for the sale of Bishops-Lands.



HEREAS by Ordinance of the Lords and Commons in this present Parliament Assembled, made the sixteenth day of *November, Anno dom. 1646.* among other instructions for the Contractors in the said Ordinance named, it is Ordained that the Demesne Lands of the late Archbishops and Bishops shall not be sold under ten years Purchase of the full values they were at in year 1641. The same rule to be observed proportionably in the sale of Reversions expectant upon Estates for lives or yeares. The said Lords and Commons do hereby declare and Ordaine that the said full value upon which the said Contractors shall proceed to sale shall be according to such particulars as shall be made and delivered to the said Contractors under the hand of *Henry Elfyng* Register in the said Ordinance named, and that such particulars so made and delivered to them shall be a sufficient justification for them to proceed to sale accordingly. And further that the said Register shall cause one faithfull, able and sufficient Clerk to be attending on the said Contractors at all their meetings, and to enter all their Orders and proceedings, and to observe and obey all such commands and directions concerning the premisses, as they or any six or more of them shall direct and appoint. And that the said

Recital of the Contractors Instructions in the former Ordinance of the 16. of November. 1646.

The Contractors to proceed to sale according to such particulars as shall be delivered to them by the Register.

And the Register to appoint a Clerk to attend the Contractors, and to enter all Orders.

No Copies of Entries to be made by any but the Register or his Clerk. The Oath of the Register and his Deputy and Clerk.

The Contractors to have two pence per pound for all such Lands as shall be Contracted for and sold.

All persons which have lent moneys shall have like advantage for all other moneys due by the Ordinance as for the moneys lent.

Books of Entries shall remaine in the custody of the said Contractors or such of them as they or the major part of them shall appoint. Provided that no Copies of the said Entries be made, had or taken out of the said Books by any others then the said Register or his Deputy, or the said Clerk, who are to have the use of them for that purpose. And that the said Register and his Deputy and the said Clerk shall severally and respectively take an Oath before the Trustees or any three of them, which they are hereby authorised and required to administer to them according to the Ordinances and instructions of both Houses of Parliament in that behalfe made, and not for any feare, favour, malice, or reward to violate the said respective trusts in them reposed. And whereas by the afore recited Ordinances, it is ordained, that the said Contractors shall receive two pence in the Pound for every Sum that shall be paid to the Treasurers upon all and every Contract or Contracts by them made, the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Declare and Ordaine, that they shall in stead thereof, receive two pence in the Pound for all such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditamenis, of the late Archbishops and Bishops which shall be contracted for, and sold by them, according to the rates for which they shall be sold. And further the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Declare and Ordaine, that all such who have advanced & lent Moneys upon the foresaid recited Ordinance shall be allowed and have all the same advantages and benefits for and concerning any Moneys otherwise due unto them by the afore recited Ordinance, as fully & amply to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as for and concerning any ready Moneys lent any advanced upon the said Ordinance.

Ioh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng. Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

Die Veneris, 15 Martii, 1646.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, For the lessening of the number of the Trustees for the sale of the Bishops Lands.

WHereas by vertue of an Ordinance of the Lords and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, made the ninth day of *October, Anno Dom. 1646.* All Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors, Lordships, Scites, Circuits, Precincts, Castles, Granges, Messuages, Mills, Lands, Tenements, Meddows, Pastures, Parsonages appropriate, Tithes, Oblations, Obventions, Penfions, Portions of Tithes, Parsonages, Vicarages, Churches, Chappels, Advowsons, Donatives, Nominations, Rights of Patronages and Presentations, Parks, Woods, Rents, Reversions, Services, Annuities, Franchises, Liberties, Priviledges, Immunities, Rights of actions and entry, Interest, Titles of entry, Conditions, Commons-Court, Courts-Leet, and Courts-Baron, and all other Possessions and Hereditaments whatsoever, with all and every of their appurtenances of what nature or quality soever they be which then were, or at any time within ten years before the beginning of this present Parliament were be-

Recital of the Ordinance vesting the Bishops Lands in the Trustees.

belonging to any Archbishop or Bishop within this Kingdome of *England* or Dominion of *Wales*, or which they or any of them had held and enjoyed in the right of their Archbishopricks, or Bishopricks, Dignities, Offices or Places respectively, with all Charters, Deeds, Bookes of Accompts, Rolls, and other Writings whatsoever concerning the same belonging unto them, were vested and settled in the reall and actuall possession and seisin of *Thomas Adams* Alderman, then Lord Major of the City of *London*, *Sir George Clarke* Knight, *John Langham* Alderman, and *John Iones* among others in the said Ordinance named, and also by the said Ordinance, and by other Ordinances since made in pursuance thereof, or for the explaining or executing thereof the said Trustees are authorized and required to act and execute divers Acts and things concerning the premisses. And whereas the said *Thomas Adams*, *Sir George Clarke*, *John Langham*, and *John Iones* have humbly desired to be discharged of the said Trust, because they cannot constantly attend and execute the same by reason of their other necessary occasions: The said Lords and Commons do hereby Ordaine, That the said *Thomas Adams*, *Sir George Clark*, *John Langham*, and *John Iones*, and every of them shall be from henceforth no longer possessed, seized, or interessed of, or in the premisses, or any of them, or any part or parcel of them; But that the seisin, possession, and interest thereof, or thereunto, shall be henceforth wholly and absolutely out of them, and every of them; And that they, and every of them shall be from henceforth wholly discharged of the said Trusts to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and shal not from henceforth act or execute any power or authority, act or thing whatsoever by vertue of the first recited Ordinance, or any other Ordinance or Ordinances afore-said.

Recitall of the
four Trustees
which desired
to be discharged.

It is Ordained
that the said
four Trustees
shall be no
onger seised.

But that the
seisin shall be
out of them.
And they di-
charged of the
Trusts.

said. And that all and every the premisses, and every part and parcell thereof shall from henceforth be vested and settled, adjudged and deemed to be, and shall be wholly and onely in the reall and actuall possession of *Sir Iohn Wollaston* Knight, and the other remaining Trustees whose names are expressed in the said first recited Ordinance, and the Surveyors and Survivers of them, their Heires, and Assignes as fully and absolutely to all intents and purposes, as if the said *Thomas Adams*, *Sir George Clarke*, *Iohn Langham*, and *Iohn Iones*, had not been at all named in the first recited Ordinance, nor in any other of the said Ordinances, and as if the said *Sir Iohn Wollaston*, and the other remaining Trustees onely had been named therein. And the said *Sir Iohn Wollaston*, and the other remaining Trustees, or any five or more of them, shall from henceforth act and execute all the powers and authorities, acts and things whatsoever, which by the first recited Ordinance, or any other of the aforesaid Ordinances are appointed to be acted and executed by all the Trustees named in the first recited Ordinance, or by any part of them, in as full and ample manner to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as all the Trustees named in the first recited Ordinance, or any part of them, might and ought to have done, any thing contained in the first recited Ordinance, or in any other of the aforesaid Ordinances to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And it is further hereby Declared and Ordained, That the said *Sir Iohn Wollaston* and the other remaining Trustees, or any five or more of them, or such person or persons as they or any five or more of them under their hands and seals shall thereunto appoint and authorize, shall have full power and authority to let or set for one yeare or lesse,

And that the Premisses shall from henceforth be vested in the remaining Trustees.

And the remaining Trustees, or any five of them from henceforth to act in as ample manner as all or any of the Trustees might have done.

And the remaining Trustees, or any five of them or such as they shall appoint, may let for one yeare or lesse, any of the Premisses (out of Lease) which are by the Ordinance appointed to be sold.

and

Provided that
Copyhold
Lands be
granted by
Copy of Court-
Roll, and not
otherwise.

The remaining
Trustees (ex-
cept the three
Treasurers and
the Comptrol-
ler) shall have
2000l.
amongst them.

and so from yeare to yeare, or lesse, before the sale hereof respectively, any of the premisses which are appointed to bee sold by any of the said former Ordinances now being, or which shall be at any time before the sale thereof respectively out of Lease, unto such persons and in such manner, whereby the best profits and advantages thereof may bee made as they shall thinke fit, the Rents and Profits hereof to bee disposed in such manner as in the said former Ordinances is declared, concerning the other Rents, Profits, and Receipts therein mentioned and contained; Provided alwayes, that such of the said Premisses as are grantable by copy of Court-Roll, according to the custome of any Honour, or Mannour, and which they have power to Demise as is aforesaid, shall bee demised by the Copy of the Court-Roll respectively, and not by any Lease at the Common Law. And the said Lords and Commons taking into their consideration, the paines and good service of the said Sir *John Wollaston*, and the other remaining Trustees for their encouragement therein, do hereby Ordain, That the said Sir *John Wollaston* and the other remaining Trustees, (except the three Treasurers and the Comptroller, who have a Salary already allowed to them) shall have and receive the summe of two thousand pounds; That is to say, one thousand pounds thereof at the end of six months to be accounted from the aforesaid ninth day of *October*, and the other one thousand pounds at the end of six months after: Which said summe of two thousand pounds, the aforesaid Treasurers, or any two of them, are hereby authorized and required to pay accordingly unto them or to such person or persons for

for them as they or the major part of them under their hand-writing shall appoint out of such monies as the said Treasurers shall have received by the profits or sale of the premisses. And that the said *Sir John Wollaston* and the other remaining Trustees (except such as are before excepted) or the major part of them shall distribute and dispose of the said two thousand pounds among themselves by such proportions and in such manner as they or the major part of them shall think fit. Lastly, the printing of this Ordinance is referred to the Trustees or the major part of them.

The remaining
Trustees are to
divide the
2000*l.* amongst
them as they
think fit.

Ioh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Jovis 13. Maii, 1647.

AN
ORDINANCE

OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Assembled in
PARLIAMENT,

For
*Securing of all those that shall advance
two hundred thousand pounds for the ser-
vice of this Kingdome, and of the Kingdome of
IRELAND.*



THE Lords and Commons assembled in
Parliament, intending to raise the summe
of two hundred thousand pounds, for
the service of this Kingdome, and of the
Kingdome of *Ireland*; for the encour-
agement of such as shall advance any summe for and to-
wards

wards the same; Do hereby Ordaine and Declare, that every person who hath advanced any Moneys, Plate, or Hories, with their Furniture, and Armes, upon the Publike Faith, or Propositions; or that hath lent any summe of Moneys upon the Ordinance of the 18. of *August*, 1643. Intituled, *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for the speedy raising of Moneys within the City of London, and Liberties thereof, for the relief and maintenance of the Armies raised and to be raised, for the necessary defence of the City, and Liberties aforesaid, raised according to the Proportions of fifty Subsidies*; Or that hath lent any summe of Moneys upon the Expedition into *Kent*, upon the Commotion there, for which the City Scale stands yet ingaged; or that hath lent any Monys towards the Loane of 30000*.l.* in or about *November*, 1642. or of 40000*.l.* in or about *April*, 1643. or of 23000*.l.* in or about *May*, 1643. which are not already repayed; the which said severall summes were advanced upon the pressing necessities of *England* and *Ireland*; Or that hath lent any summe or summes of money towards the raising of the 50000*.l.* borrowed for the service of *Ireland*, in or about *November*, 1641. Or that hath lent any summe or summes of Money in the year 1641, (which are yet unpaid) upon the security of the Act of Parliament, for the speedy raising of Moneys for disbanding the Armies, and settling the peace of the two Kingdomes of *England* and *Scotland*; That such person may for every summe of Money he shall further lend for the advancement of the said 200000*.l.* be secured a like summe more, to be paid out of the Grand Excise, in course, and out of the moyery of all Compositions made, or to be made with Delinquents, according to the Orders, Ordinances, or Instructions,

Publique faith
or propositions.

Ordinance of
the 18. *August*,
1643. 10. subli-
dies. that shoul
be paid in 1643
the said summe
of 200000*.l.*

Expedition into
Kent. City Scale.
30000*.l.* in *Nov*-
verb. 1642.
40000*.l.* in *Apr*-
1643.
23000*.l.* in *May*,
1643.
50000*.l.* in *Nov*-
verb. 1641.
Act of Parlia-
ment; 1641.

Such as shall lend
any monie to-
wards the ad-
vancement of
this 100000*.l.*
shall be secured
a like sum more
out of the Grand
Excise, moyery
of Delinquents
Compositions at
Goldsmiths Hall.

Remainder of
Bishops lands, &
papists lands,
except advow-
sons and impro-
priations, interest
to be paid every
fix moneths.

Impropriations.

Just debts of
Papists.

Former engage-
ments upon Pa-
pists estates by
Parliament ex-
cept.

of one or both Houses of Parliament already made, for
compounding with Delinquents at *Gold-smiths Hall*,
after the engagements already charged upon the said
Compositions are satisfied, and out of the remainder
of the proceed of the Bishops Lands, after they shall be
cleere of the present engagements; and out of the proceed
of the Estates and sale of the Lands of Papists (except
Advowsons and Impropriations) which have been in
Armes against the Parliament, which shall first happen;
together with all the Interest due thereupon, after the
rate of 8. *l. per cent. per annum*, to be paid every six
moneths, out of the Receipt of the Excise, till Prin-
cipall and Interest be fully discharged. (As for Exam-
ple) if there be owing to any person 100. *l.* Principall,
which with Interest due thereupon for three yeares past,
will make 124. *l.* he adventuring 124. *l.* more may be
secured for the whole 248. *l.* as aforesaid, and so pro-
portionably for a greater or lesser summe, and accor-
ding to the Interest due thereupon. Provided alwayes
that the Committee at *Gold-smiths Hall* shall have po-
wer to compound with Delinquents for Impropriati-
ons, according to such Orders and Instructions, as they
have, or shall receive from both or either house of Par-
liament, for the benefit and advancement of the Ministry.
Provided also, that the just debts of every Papist who
hath been in Armes against the Parliament, made before
the first of *Aprill 1642.* be paid, allowed, or deducted; as
also that all former engagements concerning the Lands, or
estates of any such Papist, made by both or either House
of Parliament, shall be excepted out of the security; And
the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Ordaine and
Declare, That Sir *John Wallaston* Knight, and Alder-
man, and the other Trustees for the sale of Bishops
Lands,

Lands, appointed by an Ordinance of Parliament intitled, *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in parliament for the lessening the number of the Trustees for the sale of Bishops Lands, and the Survivor or Survivors of them*; and the Heires of the Survivors of them, shall stand, and be seized of all and singular Counties Palatine, Honours, Mannours, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other the premisses settled and vested in them, their Heires, and Assignes in, and by the said Ordinance of Parliament last before mentioned, excepting as is therein excepted, and shall take and receive all the Rents, Revenues, Issues, and profits hereafter due and payable for the premisses, or any part of them untill sale shall be made of the same, to the uses, intents, and purposes herein before mentioned and declared, after the former summes lent and secured, or which are to be satisfied and paid out of the same, according to an Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 16. of November, 1646. or any other Ordinance of Parliament since that time in that behalfe made; and that the said Trustees, or any five of them, and *John Blackwell* senior, of Moore-clack in the County of Surrey Esquire, and the rest of the Contractors in the said last before mentioned Ordinance nominated, and appointed, and *William Gibbs* Alderman of the City of London, and the rest of the said Treasurers in and by the same Ordinance nominated and appointed, and *Henry Elsynge* Esquire, Clerke of the House of Commons also nominated and appointed therein to be Register, or his Deputy, or Deputies, and Colonell *Robert Manwaring*, nominated, and appointed by the same Ordinance to be Register Accomptant, and *John Foulke* Aderman of the City of London thereby nominated, and appointed to be

The Trustees to stand seized to the uses and purposes herein declared after the former moneys secured upon the same be finished.

The Trustees, Contractors, Treasurers, Clerk Register, Register Accomptant and Comptroller to continue in their trusts and Offices until &c.

Comptroller, or his Deputy, or Deputies, shall continue in their said severall Trusts, Offices, and places, and shall hereby have power severally and respectively to doe all other Acts, and things as in and by the said Ordinance of the 16. of November, 1646. or any other Ordinance, Declarations, or instructions of Parliament since that time in that behalfe made, they, every or any of them respectively are authorised, directed and appointed; excepting what is otherwise directed in and by this present Ordinance, untill sale shall be made of the premisses to the uses, intents, and purposes herein before mentioned and declared. And the said Lords and Commons doe hereby constitute and appoint *James Bunce*, Alderman of the City of *London*, and *Richard Glyde*, and Lieutenant Colonell *Lawrence Bromfield*, Citizens of *London*, to be Treasurers for the receiving, issuing, and paying out of the said two hundred thousand pounds hereby intended to be borrowed; which said service of theirs is to be by them performed at Weavers Hall, or any other place where the said Treasurers, or the major part of them shall from time to time thinke fit within the City of *London*; And likewise they the said Treasurers, or any of them are hereby authorised from time to time to demand, and receive all such summe and summes of money as shall be due, and payable out of all, or any the severall securities before named from the hands of the Treasurers, which are or shall be appointed in or for any the Receipts given for security as aforesaid; And the said Treasurers, or any of them hereby nominated are likewise authorised, and appointed to take and receive the subscriptions of every Person or Persons, Bodies Politique or Corporate, that shall subscribe any summe or summes of Money, for and towards the raising of the said

Treasurers for
this 200000*l*.

Weavers Hall,

Treasurers to
take subscriptions.

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said two hundred thousand pounds intended to be lent:

And the said Lords and Commons doe in like manner hereby constitute, and appoint ~~Colonell Robert Manning~~ *Colonell Manning*

to be Register Accomptant of all and singular the Accompts and Registries, and to doe and execute all Acts and things concerning all and singular the Promisses mentioned, and contained in this present Ordinance, as fully and ample, and in such manner and forme as is formerly ordained and appointed by the Ordinance made *November, 16. Anno domini 1646*, for the sale of Bishops Lands,

or any other Ordinance since made in that behalfe for, or concerning any thing mentioned, or contained in the said former Ordinances: And the said Register Accomptant shall receive, and allow all Tickets and Receipts of

Money, Plate, Horse, or Armes, with their furniture voluntarily lent upon the Publique Faith, by vertue of any Ordinance, Declaration, or instructions from both Houses of Parliament; which Acquittances and Receipts shall stand good, and be effectuell to all intents and purposes, so as the Parties which shall tender the said Receipts doe within 3. moneths then next ensuing bring, or send to the said Register a certificate from two or more of the Committee, Deputy Lieutenants, or Justices of the Peace of the respective Counties testifying that the name subscribed to the Tickets or Receipts, was the proper Treasurer, Collector, Receiver, Deputy Lieutenant, Committee or Committees appointed by vertue of any Ordinance or Instructions of Parliament, for the Receipts aforesaid: Provided alwayes that in case such Receipts and Certificates, should not prove good and effectuell according to the intent of this present Ordinance, yet the security now given by this Ordinance to any person or persons whatsoever, who shall

Colonell Manning
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Tickets and Receipts

If Receipts
prove not good,
yet this security
shall be good for
the money now
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100l. per annum
to Col. Manning
ring.

Clerks and Un-
der-officers
their salary..

Where no par-
ticular receipt is
given to the len-
der by the
Collectors, the
Register Ac-
comptant is to
ascertaine and
give Certificate
thereof.

now lend, or disburse any sum or sums of money, according to this Ordinance shall stand good, and be effectual to all intents and purposes for the money so lent and disbursed, according to the said Ordinance. And it is further Ordained that the said Collonel Manning shall have an additional salary of one hundred pounds over and above his former salary of two hundred pounds per annum, till both Houses of Parliament shall take farther order, to be paid out of the Rents, and proceed of the Bishops Lands by the Treasurers thereof, for the time being on the 25 day of March, and the 29 of September by even and equall portions, and for such Clerks or Under-officers as shall be employed in and about the premises, the same shall be approved of by the said Treasurers, and receive such reasonable salary for their service as the said Treasurers shall from time to time think fit to allow. And in case where the severall sums of money which have been advanced by the Inhabitants of divers Wards and Precincts of the City of London, and other Counties, Cities, and Towns incorporate upon any the Ordinances, or Acts of Parliament hereby sealed, have been brought in to the Treasurers appointed by those Ordinances, and acts in one grosse sum, and a Receipt given by the said Treasurers for the same in grosse unto the Collector, and bringer in thereof, onely without giving any particular Receipts unto the severall and particular Advancers and Lenders thereof, by reason whereof, and because divers of the said Collectours are since deceased, and others departed out of the City of London, the severall advancers of the said summes of money, will be deprived of the benefit intended them by this present Ordinance; It is hereby Ordained, and Declared by the said Lords and Commons, that the said Register Accomptant hereby nominated,

minated, and appointed, is and shall be authorized, where it shall appeare to him by the particular given in to the Treasurers appointed to receive the severall summes of money advanced upon any the Ordinances or Acts of Parliament hereby secured, by any of the Collectors, who tooke such generall Receipt for the grosse summe by him or them brought in for their severall Wards, or Precincts, that such summe of money was at thattime advanced, and lent by any particular Inhabitant of the said Ward or Precinct to ascertaine the principall and interest thereof, and to give him or them, their Executors or Administrators clayming the same, such Receipt for the same, as if he or they had produced the particular Receipts or Certificates of the severall Collectours thereof; And that these the said Register Accomptants Receipts shall be a good and sufficient ground to such persons to whom the same shall bee so given, their Executors, Administrators, and Assignes to require the summe and summes of Money therein mentioned; And that it shall and may bee lawfull to and for every person or persons to whom any money is owing upon the Publique Faith, or otherwise according to the particulars before mentioned in this present Ordinance, to grant, and assigne his or their said Debts, or any part thereof to any other person or persons whatsoever; And further that it shall and may bee lawfull for every person and persons, bodies politique or corporate, who shall have any monies due to him or them by vertue of this present Ordinance, to grant and assigne the same unto any person or persons whatsoever;

Monies due upon the publique faith, and by this Ordinance may be assigned,

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soever; And the same graunt or assignment shall bee good and effectuell to all intents and purposes whatsoever; and allowed of by all person and persons whatsoever, to whom it shall appertaine to make any allowance thereof, as if hee or they had lent the same themselves, and that every Lender of any money upon this Ordinance shall have all benefits and advantages whatsoever, for and concerning any monies due by this present Ordinance in course, after the former engagement satisfied and discharged, as fully and amply to all intents and purposes respectively, as they who have formerly lent any money upon the former Ordinance for sale of Bishops Lands, made *November the 16. Anno Domini, 1646.* ought to have by vertue of the said Ordinance or any other Ordinances since made in that behalfe; And if any person or persons shall wittingly or willingly produce any false or forged Acquittance, or Certificate to the said Register Accomprant, thereby to defraud the Common-wealth, the person or persons so offending shall lose and forfeit his money lent, towards the raising of this two hundred thousand pounds, or any way due to him upon any the Ordinances or Acts of Parliament, hereby secured or assigned unto him as aforesaid, the benefit whereof shall bee for the use and benefit of the Common-wealth.

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And be it further ordained by the Authority aforesaid, that every person who shall have his ticket allowed of and entred by the Register Accomprant, and not bring in the money which upon that ticket hee is required to do by this Ordinance, within eight dayes after such entry unto the Treasurers hereby appointed for the Receipt of the same, shall lose and forfeit the money

money that shall be due unto him upon any the Ordinances, or Acts of Parliament hereby secured, unlesse he shall shew unto the said Treasurers, or any two of them, some reasonable cause to be by them allowed; And be it further Ordained that the said Treasurers hereby constituted and appointed for the receiving and issuing out of the said mony, shal not issue or pay out any of the said two hundred thousand pounds, to be borrowed for the use of the Common-wealth as aforesaid, but by Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament, which Ordinance with the Receipt of the party or parties to whom the money is appointed to bee paid, shall bee a good and sufficient discharge to the said Treasurers, their Heires, Executors, and Administrators; And the said Treasurers shall not dispose, disburse, or pay any other summe or summes of money that shall come to their Treasury, or be paid unto them by vertue of this Ordinance, but onely for necessary charges, and as is further and particularly directed by this present Ordinance. And bee it further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the said Treasurers shall receive all summes of money due, and payable out of any the securities hereby engaged as aforesaid, from the hands of the Treasurers there already appointed, or who hereafter shall bee appointed, and as they receive the same, deducting charges and allowances, shall again pay out and divide such monies to the Lenders by one fourth part of their whole debt, that shall be owing to them in course, as they did pay their money with interest then due, and so from time to time till the whole bee paid; Provided alwayes that it shall and may bee lawfull for every Lender or Lenders, who shall become a purchaser of any part of the Bishops Lands after the

This 200000^l.
to be assigned
out according
to Ordinance of
Parliament.

The Treasurers
to pay out no
other monies
but as is hereby
appointed.

Charges to be
deducted.
The Lenders to
have one fourth
part of their
debts paid in
course.

Purchasers of
Bishops or Pa-
pists Lands may
defalke the mo-
nies hereby due
to them.

The Treasurers
to give their ac-
compts to the
Committee of
accounts.

Agency in the
pound to the
Treasurers upon
the 200000^l.

former engagements, by the Ordinance of the sixteenth of *November, 1646.* or any other Ordinance since that time in that behalfe made fully satisfied and discharged, or of the Lands, or Estates of any Papists in armes to defalke, or retaine any monies that shall bee due unto him by vertue of this present Ordinance; upon every purchase that hee or they shall so make, if the sum by him lent shall not exceed the value of the purchase, or so much thereof as the same shall amount unto, which shall bee accordingly allowed by the said Treasurers for the sale of Bishops Lands, and such as shall be appointed for the sale of the Lands of Papists in armes as aforesaid. And bee it further ordained, that the said Treasurers shall keep true and perfect accompts of all receipts, disbursements, and payments, and shall give their accompts to the Committee for taking the accompts of the whole Kingdome for the time being, who are hereby required to take the same every sixe months, and thereupon to give just discharges to the said Treasurers; and after such discharges the said Treasurers, their Heires, Executors, and Administratours, shall not be further questioned for or concerning any of the matters for which they have had and received such discharges; And further the said Treasurers shall have deducted and paid unto them the summe of one penny in the pound, for all such monies onely as by them shall be received of the advancers of the said two hundred thousand pounds, or so much thereof as shall be raised by vertue of this Ordinance, and not for any other summe of monies which shall come to their hands, by vertue of any of the securities before mentioned; which are to be paid; and divided as aforesaid to the Lenders. And be it further ordained by the authority

thority aforesaid, that the Commissioners of the Excize for the time being, are hereby charged and required, upon demand of the said Treasurers, or any two of them, delivering in writing what sum or sums of money are due and payable, to any person or persons, bodies politique or corporate, by vertue of this present Ordinance, for interest after the rate of 8. *per centum*, which writing the said Treasurers are hereby required, and authorized to make accordingly, to pay every six months unto the said Treasurers all and every sum and sums of money due for interest as aforesaid, during the time that the principall hereby secured on any part thereof shall remain unpaid, and the receipt and receipts of the said Treasurers, or any two of them from time to time, shall bee a sufficient discharge unto the said Commissioners of Excize, and every of them in this behalfe; And when this present Ordinance and the severall summe and summes of money thereby secured, shall come to its due course upon any the receipts hereby engaged, and as is herein before ordained and provided: It is further Ordered by authority aforesaid, that the Commissioners of the Excize for the time being, the Treasurers for the sale of Bishops Lands for the time being, the Treasurers for Compositions of Delinquents Estates for the time being, and such Treasurers as shall hereafter be appointed for the sale of the Lands and Estates of Papists in Armes, shall respectively from time to time pay unto the Treasurers hereby appointed to that purpose, all and every summe and summes of money arising out of their severall Receipts and due and payable out of all and any their receipts, by vertue of this present Ordinance, for and towards the payment of the severall sum and sums of mony thereby secured as aforesaid, and the receipt, and receipts of the

Commissioners
 of Excize to pay
 Interest to the
 Treasurers.

Commissioners
 of Excize, Treasurers for Bishops Lands, Treasurers for Delinquents Comp. and Papists in Armes shall pay &c. to the Treasurers hereby appointed.

No assignment
made upon any
of the securitics
hereby given af-
ter the 7 of
May 1647. shall
precede this
Ordinance.

The Excise shall
be continued till
the monies pay-
able by this Or-
dinance be paid.

Monies payable
by this Ordinance
shall not
be deferred or
put by.

said Treasurers hereby named, or any two of them shall be from time to time a sufficient discharge unto the said Commissioners of Excize, and the Treasurers of the severall Receipts, and every of them respectively, for all summe and summes of money unto them paid in pursuance of this present Ordinance; And it is further ordained, and declared by the said Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, that no assignment made by one or both houses of Parliament, or by authority of the same upon the receipts of the grand Excize, or upon the sale of Bishops Lands, or upon the said moiety of the Compositions of Delinquents Estates, or upon the sale of the Lands and Estates of Papists in armes after the seventh of this instant May shall precede this present Ordinance, whereof the Commissioners of the Excize, and severall Treasurers of the respective Receipts before named are to take notice accordingly: And it is hereby ordained and declared by the authority aforesaid, that the Excize and new Impost upon commodities mentioned in the Ordinance of the 11 of September 1643. or any Ordinance or Ordinances of this present Parliament, made in explanation, and continuance thereof, shall be continued, taken and put in due execution, untill such time as all summes of money payable by vertue of this present Ordinance shall be paid and satisfied, and the payments of the said monies, to be due and payable, by vertue of this present Ordinance shall not be debarred, put by, or deferred from being paid out of the said Excize, sale of Bishops Lands, the moiety of Compositions at Goldsmiths Hall, and sale of Lands and estates of Papists in armes as aforesaid, by any Order, or Orders, Ordinance or Ordinances of one or both Houses of Parliament, or by any authority derived

rived from them or either of them, or otherwise by the payment of any other or further summe, or summies of money then the said severall Receipts and securities were, or are charged withall upon the said seventh of this instant *May*, 1647. And lastly it is further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the said first recited Ordinance, and this present Ordinance, and every Article, Clause, and thing therein contained, shall be pleadable, and may be given in evidence in any of His Majesties Courts of Justice, or other Courts, and the Judges of all the said Courts, are required to allow and admit thereof accordingly.

This Ordinance
pleadable in
Courts of Justice.

Provided alwaies, that al such sums of mony as shal be lent by any person or persons toward the advancement of the aforesaid sum of two hundred thousand pounds shall be secured as is aforesaid, although the full sum of two hundred thousand pounds shall not be advanced as is intended.

Provided neverthelesse, and it is hereby declared that such further fine or fines as shall be hereafter imposed upon any person or persons, for, or by reason of his or their omission or under valuation of any the Lands or other estates in the severall particulars; whereupon hee or they already have or shall compound, is not nor shal be taken, or deemed to be any part of the security by this Ordinance granted.

Further Fines
of Delinquents
by reason of
their omission
or under-valuation
of their estates
no part of
this security.

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Die Jovis. Janii, 1647.

AN

ORDINANCE

OF THE

LORDS and COMMONS

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT.

For

*The raising of forty two thousand pounds
and for explanation of the former Or-
dinance for raising of two hundred thou-
sand pounds for the service of this
Kingdome, and of the Kingdome of
IRELAND.*



THE Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, intending to raise the sum of forty two thousand pounds, for the uses therein after expressed, do hereby Declare and Ordaine, That every person who hath advanced any Monies, Plate, or Horse with

The Trustees to
and seized &c.

London, and the rest of the Trustees for the sale of Bishops Lands, appointed by an Ordinance of Parliament, Intituled, *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, for the lessening of the number of the Trustees for the sale of Bishops Lands, and the Survivors and Survivor of them.* And the Heires of the Survivor of them shall stand and be seized of all and singular the Counties Palatine, Honours, Manours, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other the Premises seised, and vested in them and their Heires and Assignes, in and by the said Ordinance, excepting as is therein excepted; and shall take and receive all the Rents, Revenues, Issues, and Profits, hereafter due and payable for the Premises, or any part of them, untill sale shall be made of the same to the uses, intents, and purposes herein after mentioned and declared; after the former Summes lent and secured thereupon, or which are to be satisfied and paid out of the same, shall be fully satisfied and discharged; And that *Fahs Blackwell* Senior of *Mareclack* in the County of *Surrey*, Esquire, and the rest of the Contractors for Bishops Lands, and *William Gibbe* Alderman of *London*, and the rest of the Treasurers formerly appointed for receiving the Moneys which shall arise upon the sale or proceed of Bishops Lands; And *John Fowke*, Alderman of *London*, Comptroller, and his Deputy or Deputies, and *Henry Elfyng* Esquire, Clerk of the House of Commons, Register and his Deputy or Deputies, and Colonel *Robert Manwaring*, Register Accomptant, shall continue in their said several Offices, and places respectively, and shall hereby have power fully and sufficiently,

The Contractors, Treasurers, Comptrollers, Clerk, Register and his Deputies, Register Accomptant shall continue in their trusts & offices, as will see.

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aively, to do all other Acts and things, as in and
 by the said first recited Ordinance, or any other
 Ordinances, Declarations, or Instructions of Parlia-
 ment, heretofore in that behalfe made, they every,
 or any of them respectively, are authorised, directed,
 and appointed, to act or do, excepting what is o-
 therwise directed in and by this present Ordinance,
 untill sale shall be made of the Premisses, to the uses,
 intents, and purposes herein after mentioned: And
 also that *James Bunce Alderman of London, and Rich-
 ard Glyde, and Lieutenant Colonell Lawrence Bram-
 field Citizens of London* shall be, and continue
 Treasurers for the receiving and paying out of the
 said forty two thousand pounds hereby intended to
 be raised, which they shall doe at Weavers Hall in
 London, or any other place where they, or the
 major part of them shall thinke fit, and shall doe,
 act, and execute all other acts and things whatsoe-
 ver, for, or concerning the receiving and paying of
 the said forty two thousand pounds as fully and am-
 ply, and in such manner respectively as is by the said
 first recited Ordinance appointed, and declared for and
 concerning the receiving and paying of the said two
 hundred thousand pounds therein mentioned, and
 that the aforesaid *Robert Manwaring* shall be Re-
 gister Accomptant of all, and singular the Accompts
 and Registries, and doe and execute all Acts and
 things concerning all and singular the Premisses
 mentioned and contained in this present Ordinance
 respectively as fully and amply, and in such manner
 and forme as is formerly ordained and appointed by
 the said first recited Ordinance, or any other Ord-
 nances heretofore made in that behalfe respectively.

*James Bunce,
 Richard Glyde,
 Lawrence Bram-
 field, to continue
 Treasurers for
 this 42000.L.*

*Robert Manwaring
 to continue
 Register Ac-
 comptant.*

And

And these Treasurers and the Register Accountant to have the same allowances for this service, as in the former Ordinances is appointed.

Monies lent upon the Provisions shall be allowed.

Monies due by this Ordinance may be assigned.

And may be debited upon purchases.

And that the said *James Buncie*, and the rest of the Treasurers before named, and the said *Robert Maxwell*, and their respective Clerks shall have, and receive the same respective allowances and salaries continued, allowed, and paid unto them respectively for this present Service, as in and by the former Ordinances is limited and appointed to them for the like respective Services therein expressed and required; And that all persons who have voluntarily lent any Monies, Plate, or Horse with their Furniture and Armes upon the Propositions by virtue of any Ordinance, Declaration, or Instruction of both Houses of Parliament, shall have the same allowed in such manner, and upon such Certificates, and shall have all such benefits and advantages as in and by the said late Ordinance is expressed and appointed, and that it shall and may be lawfull to and for every person, or persons, to whom any money is owing upon the publick Faith, or otherwise as is aforesaid, or any who shall have any monies due to him or them by virtue of this present Ordinance to grant or assigne his or their said Debts, or any part thereof to any other person or persons whatsoever; and that such Assignees shall have all such benefits and advantages thereof, and thereupon, as in and by the said first recited Ordinance is granted and allowed; and that every person and persons, who shall lend any monies upon this present Ordinance shall be demeaned in like manner, and shall have all such benefits and advantages whatsoever, by defalcation upon purchases in course after the former engagements shall be fully satisfied and discharged, or otherwise,

wife, as fully and amply and in such sort and manner as by the first recited Ordinance is granted and allowed: And that every person or persons who shall wittingly and willingly produce, and bring into the Register Accomptant any forged acquittance or Certificate, shall undergo such penalty as in and by the said Ordinance is declared and appointed; And that every person or persons who shall have his Ticket allowed, and entered by the Register Accomptant in his booke, and shall not bring in his money thereupon according to this present Ordinance within eight dayes after such entry, to the Treasurers hereby appointed for the same, shall undergoe such penalty as in, and by the said Ordinance is declared and appointed; And the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Declare, Ordaine, and Appoint, That the said Treasurers shall pay twelve thousand pounds, part of the said forty two thousand pounds to be advanced upon this Ordinance unto the Committee of the Militia of the City of London, or such as they or any nine of them shall appoint to be disposed by the said Committee, or any nine of them for and toward the paying of the Arrears already due for the Guards of the said City, or which shall hereafter become due for the same, and such other requisite charges as may concerne the same; And that the Warrant of the said Committee or any nine of them in writing under their hands to the said Treasurers for the payment of the said forty two thousand pounds, or any part thereof, shall bee a sufficient discharge to the said Treasurers for the same, and that thirty thousand pounds being the residue of the said forty two thousand pounds, shall bee paid to such poore persons as have voluntarily contributed any

Forged Certificate.

12000^l. part of the 42000^l. to be paid to the Committee of the Militia of London for the Guards of the City.

30000^l. to poore persons which have lent upon the Positions.

Monies, Plate, or Horse with their furniture and Armes, upon the Propositions in the yeare 1642; and are not able to double the same, not exceeding the summe of ten pounds, to any one such poore person in such manner as shall be hereafter directed and appointed by both Houses of Parliament; And that the Warrant of such who shall be thereunto hereafter appointed by both Houses of Parliament, in writing under their hands, shall bee a sufficient discharge to the said Treasurers for the same. And the said Lords and Commons doe hereby Declare and Ordaine, That the said forty two thousand pounds shall not bee disposed or employed, nor paid out by the said Treasurers to any other uses or purposes then such as is herein limited and appointed. And bee it further Declared and Ordained, That the said Treasurers shall receive all summes of Money due and payable out of any the Securities aforesaid, from the hands of the Treasurers there already appointed, or who hereafter shall bee appointed, and as they shall receive the same (deducting charges and allowances) shall againe pay out, and divide such Monies to the Lenders by one fourth part of their whole debt that shall bee owing to them, in course as they did pay in their Money, with the interest then due; and so from time to time till the whole be paid: And that the said Treasurers shall keepe true and perfect Accompts of all Receipts, Disbursements, and Payments, of or concerning the said forty two thousand pounds; and shall give in their Accompts to the Committee for taking the Accompts of the whole Kingdome for the time being; who are hereby

The 42000^l. is
not to be disposed
to any other
use.

The monies to
be paid out to
the Lenders in
course.

The Treasurers
to keepe true
accompts and be
accountable to
the Committee
of accompts.

hereby required to take the same every six months, and thereupon to give discharges to the said Treasurers; And after such discharges, the said Treasurers shall nor bee further questioned for or concerning any of the matters for which they have had and received such discharges: And the Commissioners of the Grand Excize, are hereby required and authorized, to pay unto the said Treasurers every six months all such interest as shall bee then due for any summe or summes of Money lent upon this Ordinance, upon their Certificate thereof in Writing, in such manner as is expressed and appointed in the said first recited Ordinance, concerning the interest due or to bee due according to the said Ordinance; And that the said Commissioners of Excise, and the respective Treasurers of any the Treasuries, or Receipts hereby engaged for the securities aforesaid, shall respectively from time to time pay unto the Treasurers hereby appointed for that purpose, all and every summe or summes of Money due and payable by this present Ordinance, which shall come to and bee in their said Treasuries or Receipts in course as is aforesaid. And the Receipts of the said Treasurers hereby appointed, or any two of them, shall bee a sufficient discharge to the said Commissioners of Excize, and the Treasurers of the said severall Treasuries, and Receipts respectively; And bee it further Ordained, That no Grant or Assignement, hereafter to bee made upon the Receipts of the Grand Excize, for any of the aforesaid Securities, shall preceed this present Ordinance, whereof the said Commissioners and respective Treasurers are to take no-

Excise.

Treasurers of the securities herein mentioned to pay the summe of money due by this Ordinance in course.

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Excise to continue till these monies be paid.

This Ordinance to be pleadable in any Court.

Receipts to be given for the monies to be lent.

tice accordingly: And it is further Ordained, That the Excise and New Impost, mentioned in the Ordinance of the eleventh of September, 1643. Or any Ordinance or Ordinances of this present Parliament, made in explanation or continuance thereof, shall bee continued, taken, and put in due execution, untill such time as all summes of Money payable by vertue of this present Ordinance shall bee payd and satisfied. And it is also Ordained, That this present Ordinance, and every Article, Clause, and thing therein contained shall bee pleadable, and may bee given in evidence in any of His Majesties Courts of Justice, or other Courts. And the Judges of the said Courts, are hereby required, to allow and admit thereof accordingly. Provided alwayes, That all such summes of Money as shall bee lent upon this present Ordinance with the respective Tickets or Receipts of Money formerly lent, as is aforesaid, which shall be thereby doubled, shall bee secured as is aforesaid, although the full summe of forty two thousand pounds shall not bee advanced (as is intended.) And for a further explanation, and better putting in execution as well of the aforesaid late Ordinance, as of this present Ordinance, The said Lords and Commons do hereby declare and ordaine, that the said James Bunce Alderman, and the rest of the Treasurers, or any two of them, are hereby authorized and required to give Receipts to the Parties who have lent, or shall lend any money toward the raising of the aforesaid two hundred thousand pounds, or the said forty two thousand pounds, both for the summe or summes now lent, or to bee lent in ready

ready money, and the like former sum or sums due upon the publique faith, or otherwise, according to the said Ordinances, and ascertained by the said *Robert Manning*, which are or shall be doubled by them: Which Receipts given by the said Treasurers, or any two of them, for the said two hundred thousand pounds, and such Receipts as are to be given for the said forty two thousand pounds, shall bee a sufficient ground to such persons to whom the same are, or shall be given, their Executors, Administrators, and Assignes to require, and receive the same. And also that the said Treasurers shall pay unto the said Lenders in course every six months, the interest which shall be then due by the said Ordinance, or this present Ordinance, after the aforesaid rate of eight *per cent.* out of such monies as they shall then have received: And further; that the said Treasurers, or any of them shall have free Liberty and Power from time to time, as occasion shall require, to peruse and examine the books of Receipts and disbursements of the severall Treasurers and Commissioners of the said Treasuries, and Receipts ingaged for the security aforesaid, to the end that they may see, and finde out, what summe and summes of money are, or shall be come into the said Treasuries and Receipts, towards the repayment of the monies which are or shall be due and payable by the said Ordinances. And the Treasurers and Commissioners of the said Treasuries and Receipts ingaged for the security aforesaid, are hereby required to shew unto them their said severall bookes of Receipts and Disbursements, and to suffer them to peruse and examine the same: And shall also from time to time pay unto them such monies due and payable by the said Ordinances which shall bee then received,

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Committee for
incident
charges.

and come into their said Treasuries and Receipts for the repayment of the Principall, and Interest of the sums due by the said Ordinances. And lastly, bee it Declared and Ordained, that the Committee of Lords and Commons formerly appointed for the allowing of incident Charges to the former Treasurers appointed by the Ordinance for the sale of Bishops Lands, or any five of them, shall have power & authority to allow the like incident charges to the said *James Bance*, and the rest of the Treasurers respectively.

Sum of 100. to
poore persons
not to be paid
to such as shall
buy their Tic-
kets.

Provided alwayes that the afore said summes of ten pounds, or under, intended for the repaiment of poore persons shall be paid onely to such poore persons, or for their proper use and benefite, and not to any persons who have bought, or shall buy of them, any such Tickets or Receipts as is afore said.

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Die Lune 23. August. 1647.

**An Ordinance of the Lords and
Commons assembled in Parliament for
regulating the sale of Bishops Lands, and ex-
pediting the Conveyances thereof.**



Be it Ordered and Ordained by
the Lords and Commons assem-
bled in Parliament, that whereas in
the late Ordinance of Parliament,
made the 16 of Novemb. Ann.Dom.
1646. it is appointed that the purcha-

sers of any Bishops Lands shall pay
the latter moiety of Purchase money within six months
after the sealing of the assurance; And whereas divers
Purchasers have before the sealing of the assurance ob-
tained the possession of the said purchased Lands, Te-
nements, or Hereditaments, in all such cases the said six
months wherein the latter moiety of the purchase money
ought to be paid, shall be reckoned from the time of
the Contract, and not from the sealing of the assurance;
and that in lieu thereof the purchaser shall have and en-
joy all the meane profits which he hath had or received
in the mean time; And that the Treasurers for Bi-
shops Lands shall allow and rebate to any purchaser,
who hath any money due by the said Ordinance, the
interest which shall bee due unto him, together with

Such purchasers,
as have obtained
possession before
sealing of the
Conveyance shall
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their Contracts
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purchase money.

the principall, the same to be defalked at the times of payment of his purchase money; and that all assigns of any monies due by the said Ordinance, may defalke the same upon Purchasers in like manner as the Lenders themselves might doe. And the Contractors, Trustees, Treasurers, and all others imployed in the sale of Bishops Lands, are hereby required, and enjoined to perfect and seal the respective Conveyances or Assurances with all possible expedition.

Ioh. Brown Cler. Parliamentum.



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Die Jovis 23. Septemb. 1647.

AN
ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT

For

The better security and encourage-
ment of all and every such person and
persons, Bodies Politique and Corpora-
rate, as already have, or hereafter shall be-
come purchaser from the Trustees of any
Mannors, Lands, &c. late belonging to any
Arch-bishop, or Bishop, within the Realm
of England, or Dominion of Wales.

*And the manner of ensuring the same to
the Purchaser.*

*With the time limited for the perfecting
of their Conveyances.*



THE Lords and Commons assembled in
Parliament, for the better security, and
encouragement of all and every such
person and persons, Bodies Politique
and Coporate, as already have, or
hereafter shall become Purchaser, or Purchasers

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Purchasers may
have the Kings
Letters Patents,

To be holden 'as
of East Greenwich.

Bodies Politique
may purchase a-
ny Bishops lands
without licence
in Mortmaine,

from the Trustees (appointed by Ordinance of Parlia-
ment for the sale of Bishops Lands) of any Mannors,
Lands, Tenements, Franchises, Annuities, Fees, Liber-
ties, Royalties, and Hereditaments whatsoever, late be-
longing to any Arch-Bishop, or Bishop within the
Realme of *England* or Dominion of *Wales*; Do Or-
der and Ordain, and be it hereby Ordered and Ordain-
ed by the Authority aforesaid, that it shall, and may be
lawfull for all, and every such purchaser, or purchasers
to have, and passe one or more Letters Patents under
the great Seal of *England*, of all or any part of the Man-
nors, Lands, Tenements, Franchises, Annuities, Fees,
Liberties, Royalties, and Hereditaments with their ap-
purtenances so by him or them purchased from the said
Trustees as aforesaid, to be holden of the King as of his
Mannor of *East Greenwich* by fealty onely, and not in
Capite nor Knights service: And be it further Or-
dained and Declared by the authority aforesaid, that all
and every Bodies and Body politique and corporate
within the Kingdome of *England* and Dominion of
Wales, shall have power and capacity, and are hereby
enabled to receive, take, and purchase to themselves,
and their Successors for ever, any of the said Mannors,
Lands, Tenements, Franchises, Annuities, Fees, Li-
berties, Royalties, and Hereditaments whatsoever be-
longing to the said Arch-bishop and Bishops, without
any Licence or Licensees of Alienation in Mortmaine
first sued forth, or obtained for that purpose, any Law,
Statute, Ordinance, or Charter to the contrary hereof
in any wise notwithstanding. And be it further Ordered
and Ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the At-
torney Generall, or Solicitor Generall for the time be-
ing, upon shewing forth of any such deed or purchase
under

under the Hands and Seals of the said Trustees or any five or more of them, is hereby authorized and required to prepare a bill in usuall form containing the Kings Grant to such Purchaser and purchasers, their heirs, and Successors of the Lands, and premisses so purchased by him, or them, according to the Tenor and effect of such deed or purchase, which Bill so prepared, the Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, or Commissioners for the great Seal of England, for the time being, are hereby authorized, and required to passe under the said great Seal in usuall forme accordingly. And it is further Ordained, that no Fine or Fee be demanded, or paid into the Highaper for or in the Kings name, or to his use upon the passing of any such Grant, or of any other Grant where Lands have been or shall be sold by Ordinance of Parliament, to any person or persons in satisfaction of the debts of the kingdome, but all and every such Fines, except as afore excepted, save onely a fourth part of what hath been formerly demanded and paid, are hereby pardoned and discharged. And it is further Ordained, That the Register for the sale of Bishops Lands for the time being, the Surveyors of the said Lands, the Stewards of all or any of the said Courts belonging to any of the said Bishops, and all other Officers, and persons who have in their hands, or in the hands of others for them, any Counterparts of Leases, ancient Surveys, Copies of Court Rolls, Rentals, Terns, or other Deeds, Records, or Writings which concerne onely any of the Maniors or premisses so already purchased, or hereafter to be purchased as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and required upon sight of any such deed of purchase from the said Trustees as aforesaid, to deliver forthwith all the Counterparts of Leases and all other

the bill contain-
ing the Kings
Grant to the
Purchaser, is to
be passed under
the great Seal of
England.

No Fine or Fee
to be paid into
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upon the passing
of any such Grant
where Lands have
been or shall be
sold by Ordinance
of Parliament.

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be paid.

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ings which con-
cerne only the
things purcha-
sed to be deli-
vered to the
purchaser.
No person
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title &c. shall be
compelled to
deliver his
writings.

Those who
have contracted
or shall contract
shall procure
their Convey-
ances within 8
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Unless they
show cause to
the contrary to
be allowed by
the Contractors.
Upon default
thereof to for-
feit one third
part of the value
of their purchase
money to be de-
falked &c. or
levied as the
Parliament shall
appoint.

the Records, and Writings before mentioned, which
concerne onely the Mannors, Lands, and Premisses
comprised within any such deed of purchase unto the
respective purchaser and no other. Provided, that no
person which maketh title to any of the said Lands or
Premisses, (other then the Archbishops and Bishops
themselves) be compelled by this Ordinance to deliver
out of his hands any such Lease or Writing as afore-
said, concerning those Lands which hee maketh his
claime.

And it is further Orcained, and declared by the au-
thority aforesaid, that all and every person, and persons,
bodies politique and corporate, who have already con-
tracted for, or hereafter shall contract for any of the
said Mannors, Lands, and premisses with the Contra-
ctors appointed for the sale of Bishops Lands, shall pro-
secute and procure their respective conveyances from
the Trustees appointed to passe such conveyances with-
in eight weekes after the passing of this Ordinance; that
is to say, all such persons as have already contracted shall
procure & procure their respective conveyances from
the Trustees within eight weekes next after the date of
this Ordinance; and such persons as shall hereafter con-
tract within eight weekes next after the date of their re-
spective Contracts; unless they shew such good cause
for such their delay as the said Contractors shall under
their hands approve of and allow. And in default here-
of, all and every such person, and persons, bodies poli-
tique and corporate, so contracting and making default
as aforesaid, shall forfeit a third part of the value of the
money agreed to be paid upon such respective Con-
tracts, to be levied on the said hands and goods, and
to the use of the said Contractors, as the said
upon

upon their Lands and Goods in such manner as both Houses of Parliament shall hereafter ordaine and appoint.

And it is lastly Ordained, that this Ordinance bee forthwith printed, and published, and sent downe to the Sherffes of all the Countyes of *England* and *Dominion of Wales* by the care of the said Trustees, which said respective Sherffes are hereby required to publish the same in all their next respective County Courts, after the Receipt hereof as aforesaid.

Printing and
publishing of
this Ordinance.

Ioh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

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The 7th of Decem^r, 2 December 1647.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament,

*For removing obstructions in the sale of
Bishops Lands,*



He Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament for the more speedy sale of the Mannors, Lands, and Possessions of the late Archbishops and Bishops, and removall of severall Obstructions which hinder the sale thereof, Do Ordaine and Declare, and be it Ordained and Declared by the authority afore said, That the Contractors appointed by Ordinance of Parliament of the 16 of *Novemb. 1646.* to Contract for, and sell the said Lands and Possessions, or any five of them are hereby appointed, authorized and impowered to peruse all Surveys returned and to be returned of the said Lands and possessions, and to amend upon due proof made before them upon oath all mistakes in Misnomer of any person or persons, places or things; And likewise without oath to amend all other misprisions in miscasting the totall of any particular sums of money, or number of Acres, or such other like mistakes. And also to make such amendments in Surveys returned, and to insert such words of course in particulars, or Conveyances as they shall thinke fit and necessary to passe such estates as they shall contract for

*The Contractors
to amend Sur-
veys,*

*And to insert
words of course
in particulars
and Conveyan-
ces.*

to the Purchasers according to the true intent and meaning of the Contracts which they shall make. And to order and direct the respective Surveyors to review or amendment of any Surveys returned as they shall see cause: And also to adde by way of supplement Certificates of any Estates or Interests which shall be made appear to them in manner & forme hereafter expressed: To which end and purpose be it further ordained by the said Lords and Commons, That all and every person & persons who claim or pretend any interest or estate in any of the said Lands & Possessions, or any Annuity, Rentcharge, or other charge issuing out of the same, and have not made their claims, produced their evidences, or otherwise made their Estates and interests appear to the respective Surveyors of the Lands and Tenements out of which they claim such Estates, before the returne of their respective Surveys, (notice and warning being given by the said Surveyors according to the Instructions of both Houses of Parliament in that behalf) shall; and are hereby required within forty dayes next after the publication of this Ordinance, in such manner as is hereafter expressed, or return of their respective Surveys to make their claims, or produce and shew forth their Evidences, or otherwise make their Estates and Interests appear to the said Contractors upon Oath of one or more credible witnesses. And also all other persons claiming any such Interest, Estate, Annuity, or Rent charge who shall not make their Claims, produce their Evidence, or otherwise make their Interests and Estates appear to the Surveyors of the Lands and Tenements out of which they claime such Estates and Annuities, or Rent charge before the return of their respective Certificates, shall and

The Contractors
or five of them
to administer an
Oath.

For forfeiture of
estates not made
to appear in
manner afore-
said.

The Contractors
may sell Bishops
houses at lower
rates then they
are valued at by
the Surveyors.

The Trustees to
defend all suits

And to make
good the rent in
the Survey.

are hereby required within forty dayes next after the publication of this Ordinance as aforesaid, or returne of the said respective Certificates, make their Claims, or produce and shew forth their Evidences, or otherwise make their Estates and Interests appear to the said Contractors by Oaths aforesaid; which Oath and Oaths the said Contractors, or any five of them are hereby authorised from time to time to administer. And (in case default be made by any such person in making their said Claims, or Estates, or Interests, to appear in manner and forme aforesaid,) That then all and every such person and persons for failing shall forfeit and lose their respective Interests, Estates, Annuities and Rents-charge, and the Lands and Tenements out of which they shal claim the same, shall, and may be sold as in possession, in like manner as other the Lands and Possessions, of the said Archbishops and Bishops. And be it ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that it be, and is hereby left to the judgment and discretion of the said Contractors, or any five of them, to sell any Castles, Palaces, or other Houses parcell of the Lands and Possessions aforesaid, at such rates and prices as they shall conceive most conducing to the advantage and benefit of the Commonwealth, though at lower rates then their materials are valued by the Surveyors returned thereof. And be it further Ordained, That (in case any suit shall hereafter be commenced by any person or persons for recovery, or eviction of any part or parcell of the Lands or Possessions, of any the said late Archbishops and Bishops aforesaid;) the Trustees aforesaid, or any five or more of them be, and are hereby authorised and inabled at the publique charge to defend the said suit, and to make good the Rent returned by the Surveyors during such suit; And (in

case of eviction of any part or parcell of the said Lands or Possessions) to give warrant to the Treasurers, to repay unto such person or persons from whom such Land or Estate shall be evicted, the Moneys by him advanced for such purchase, together with such necessary disbursements as he or they have laid out by reason of the said suit, which Warrant shall be sufficient to the Treasurers in that behalf to pay and satisfie the same. And it is also Ordained, That if after the sale of any of the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, or hereditaments of the late Archbishops or Bishops, the respective Purchasers thereof shall make complaint unto the Trustees, or any five of them, that the respective Premises by them purchased, are charged with, or lyable to the payment of any Rents, Annuities, Charges, Boots, Boones, Payments, Issues, or Profits whatsoever unto any Steward, Auditor, Receiver, Bayliffe, Officer, Tenant, or other Person whatsoever, which have not been formerly repaid & defaulted to the said Purchasers upon their respective Purchases of the Premises; That then the said Trustees, or any five of them, shall search out, heare, examine, and ascertain the same, and thereupon certifie the said Rents, Annuities, Charges, Boots, Boones, Payments, Issues or Profits to the Contractors, or any five of them, whereupon the said Contractors, or any five of them shall allow unto the said respective Purchasers of the Premises by way of reprisall rateably and proportionably, according to such rates as they paid or contracted for the said purchased premises, and shall accordingly ascertain and certifie the same to the respective Treasurers for the sale of Bishops Lands, or any two of them, who are hereby required and authorized to defaulte out of the Moiety unpaid in, or to pay unto

And if any be evicted the Treasurers to repay the purchase money with costs of suit.

If after sale the purchasers complain of any rents, charges &c. which have not been repaid the Trustees shall examine and ascertain the same & certifye the said rents &c. to the Contractors or any five of them, who are to allow for the same by way of reprisall and certifye the same to the Treasurers.

The Treasurers to defaulte or pay to the purchaser according to the Contractors Certificate with interest.

the said respective Purchasers according to such Certificate the respective summes so to be reprized as is aforesaid, with interest after the rate of Eight pounds *per Centum* to be accounted from the time of the payment of their Purchase-money out of the money which they shall have in their Treasury: And in case at the time of the presenting such Certificate as aforesaid, the said Treasurers have not Money enough in Cash to satisfie the same, then they are hereby enjoyned to make payment thereof out of the first moneys which shall come into their said Treasury or be received by them or any other by their appointment, And are not to pay, or appoint to be paid any other summe of Money whatsoever, untill such reprisalls as aforesaid be first satisfied and paid. And the Warrant of the said Trustees, together with the receipt of the said Purchaser or Purchasers shall be to the said Treasurers a sufficient discharge. And the said Trustees or any five of them are hereby authorized and required to cause this present Ordinance to be printed, and so send Copies thereof to the Sheriffs of the respective Counties of the Kingdome of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, where any of the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, or Possessions of the said Archbishops or Bishops are, which said Sheriffs respectively are hereby required to publish the same in their County-Courts the next County-Court day after they shall receive the same: and also in open Market in the Shire-Town the next Market day after the receipt thereof: And shall certifie the day and place of the publication made as aforesaid to the said Trustees within twenty dayes after the same shall be published. And be it last-

The warrant of the Trustees with the Purchaser's receipt shall be a discharge to the Treasurers.

Printing and publishing this Ordinance.

Printed by J. Sturges, at the Sign of the Gun, in St. Dunstons Church-yard, London.

ly Ordained, that this present Ordinance shall be 'valid according to the tenor and true meaning thereof, any former or other Ordinance or Ordinances concerning the sale of the Lands and Possessions of the said late Archbishops and Bishops, or any clause, article or thing in them or any of them contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

This Ordinance
to be valid non-
obstant any for-
mer Ordinance.

Fo. Browne Cler. Parliamentorum.



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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament,

For removing Obstructions in the Sale of Reversions of Bishops Lands.



Hereas some doubts have been made by the Contractors for the sale of the Lands, Possessions, and Hereditaments of the late Archbishops and Bishops, upon the construction of some words, or clauses in the Ordinances for the sale of the said Lands, concerning the proportion of values betweene Land in possession and reversion after lives and years, by reason of which the sale of the said Lands hath been obstructed;

The Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled do Ordaine and Declare, and bee it Ordained and Declared, That the Reversion of the said Lands and Hereditaments, upon a Lease for one life, shall not be sold under 5 years purchase, and the reversion of such lands upon a Lease for two lives shal not be sold under 3 years purchase, and that the reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for three lives shall not be sold under 2 years purchase; and all other reversions of the said lands for more then three lives: and the reversion where any Tenant or Tenants of the said premisses claime and have a right to have a customary estate in Reversion, or

Reversions upon
a Lease for one
life not to be
sold under 5
years purchase.
2 lives 3 years
purchase.
3 lives 2 years
purchase.
Customary E-
state in Reversi-
on.

or by the Custom may grant or make Leases for life or lives: the said Contractors are hereby enabled and authorized to contract for, and sell proportionably.

And be it Ordained and Declared by the authority aforesaid, that the reversion of the said Lands, and Hereditaments, upon a Lease for seven years, shall not be sold under 5 years, and one halfe years purchase, and that the reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for fourteen years, shall not be sold under 3 years and one halfe purchase; and that Reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for one and twenty years, shall not be sold under 2 yeares and one halfe purchase; and all other Reversions upon Leases for more or fewer years, the said Contractors are hereby authorized to contract for, and sell proportionably to this rule.

Reversion upon
a Lease for 7
years.

Reversion after
14 years.

Reversion after
21 years.

All other rever-
sions proportion-
ably.

And the said Lords and Commons do Ordaine and Declare, that the afore mentioned proportions shall be the rule of proportion for proportioning Reversions, upon Leases for lives and years, to Lands in Reversion at ten years purchase; And the said Contractors are hereby authorisid to contract for, and sell the said Reversions according to the afore mentioned rules of proportion, any Order or Ordinance of Parliament, or any word or clause in any Order or Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Rule of propor-
tion to lands in
possession at 10
years purchase.

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Die Jovis 23. Martii, 1647.

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ORDINANCE

OF THE

LORDS and COMMONS

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT.

For

*The Explanation and better Execution
of former Ordinances for the Sale of the
Lands and Possessions of the late Archbishops
and Bishops within the Realm of England
and Dominion of Wales.*



O prevent all further delays and neglects in paying in monies, and perfecting Conveyances by such who have contracted for Bishops Lands; It is Ordered and Ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that all and every such person or persons, who have contracted, or shall hereafter contract for any Lands, Possessions, or Hereditaments of the late Arch-

Archbishops and Bishops, And according to an Ordinance of the three and twentieth of September, 1647, have obtained or shall obtain from any five or more of the Contractors for sale of the said Lands, any certificate of allowance of any reasonable cause shewed, or to be shewed by him or them, for his or their not prosecuting and perfecting their respective Conveyances upon their Contracts, and shall neglect within the time limited by the said Contractors certificate to procure his or their respective Conveyances from the Trustees for sale of the said Lands, shall forfeit the third part of the whole monies payable upon his or their respective Contracts; unless he or they shall, within that time, upon good cause shewen, procure from five or more of the said Contractors a new certificate for further time to perfect his or their Conveyances, and likewise pay in the moiety of the purchase money, (or so much as the same shall be estimated by the Register, in case it cannot be ascertained) at such time as the said Contractors certificate shall appoint; And likewise agree to pay the second moiety within six months after such payment of the first: Provided, that if the aforementioned Estimate of the moiety of the purchase money paid in as aforesaid, shall upon casting up of the Rates appear to be more or lesse then the true moiety of the said purchase money; that then there shall be such abatement or addition out of, or unto the second payment, as shall reduce and bring it to the just moiety. And it is Ordered and Ordained, that the forfeitures of all such persons who have any monies secured unto them by any of the Ordinances for the sale of Bishops Lands, shall be wholly defalked by the Treasurers out of such monies, if sufficient to satisfy the same; if not,

Such as have obtained from the Contractors an allowance of a cause shewed for not perfecting their Conveyances, and shall neglect within the time limited by the Contractors to procure their Conveyances, shall forfeit a third part of their monies unless within that time they procure a new certificate for further time, and also pay in a moiety of their purchase money.

Forfeitures to be defalked out of the monies secured by the Ordinances, if sufficient to satisfy such as have no monies on the said security.

then the said Treasurers are to detaine so much as is due
 unto them upon the said security to be raised, and the
 residue of the said monies so forfeited, as is directed by
 this Ordinance. And such person or persons who have
 no monies on the said security, and notwithstanding
 have contracted or shall contract for the said premisses,
 or any part thereof, but have not perfected his or their
 Conveyances according to the said Ordinance of Par-
 liament, his or their forfeiture shall likewise be levied
 as is directed by this present Ordinance. And it is fur-
 ther Ordered and Ordained, that such person or per-
 sons as shall incur or make any forfeiture by reason of
 the aforesaid, or this present Ordinance, shall pay in to
 the said Treasurers his or their monies so forfeited, or
 so much of it as is unsatisfied, within ten dayes next af-
 ter such forfeiture made: And in case the same be not
 paid in to the said Treasurers within the time before-
 limited; the said Treasurers, or any two of them, are
 hereby required under their hands to certifie such neg-
 lects of Non-payment unto five or more of the said
 Contractors of the said Lands within three dayes next
 after such default made; and after such certificate made,
 the said contractors any five or more of them are here-
 by required and enjoined to make certificates under 5
 or more of their hands, of the sum or sums of money
 forfeited as aforesaid, unto the respective Committees
 or Commissioners for Sequestration in the severall and
 respective Counties and places within the Realm of
 England and Dominion of Wales, where such person or
 persons forfeiting as aforesaid, have or hath any reall or
 personall estate. And it is further Ordered, Ordained,
 and Declared by the authority aforesaid, that the said
 respective Committees or Commissioners for Seque-
 stration,

Forfeitures to
 be paid within
 10 dayes.
 If not, the Treasurers to certifie
 the default to
 the Contractors
 within 3 dayes
 after such de-
 fault, which the
 Contractors are
 to certifie to the
 Committees of
 Sequestrations.

stration, shall, and are hereby authorized and required upon Receipt of such certificate from the said Contractors, to seize, sequester, and secure the reall and personall estate of such person or persons so forfeiting as aforesaid; and the same to detain in their custody without sale or disposall thereof for the space of ten dayes; provided that if the person or persons so sequestred, do pay or cause to be paid in to the said Treasurers his or their forfeitures within the said ten dayes, that then upon certificate from the said Treasurers, or any two of them to the respective Committees or Commissioners of the payment thereof, the said Committees or Commissioners for Sequestrations, are to discharge the Sequestration of the said reall and personall estate of such person or persons; And it is further Ordained, that in case such person or persons forfeiting as aforesaid, do not satisfie and pay in his or their forfeitures within the said ten dayes, that then the said Committees or Commissioners are hereby required and authorized to levy and raise such sum or sums certified unto them as aforesaid, by sale of the goods, and Receipts of the Rents, Issues, and Profits of the Lands of such person or persons; and after the sum certified, as aforesaid, is raised, the said Lands, and residue of the said goods unfold are to be discharged of the Sequestration. And it is further Ordained that all the said forfeitures shall be paid in by the respective Committees or Commissioners to the said Treasurers to be disposed of for such purposes as are appointed by the Ordinance of the 16 of November, 1646. as the Trustees or any 5 or more of them shall by their warrant under their hands direct, which they are hereby authorized to do; and such their warrant, together with the parties Ac-

Committees of Sequestration to seize the reall and personall Estate of the persons making forfeitures and the same to detain 10 daies.

Within which time if the forfeiture be paid, the sequestration to be discharged. If the forfeitures be not paid within 10 daies after sequestration, the forfeitures are to be levied by sale of goods and receipt of rents.

All forfeitures to be paid to the Treasurers.

After the forfeiture incurred the Contractors may sell the lands to any other.

This Ordinance to be sent to all Sheriffes to be published.

quittance, to whom the same shall be paid, according to such warrant, shall be a sufficient discharge to the Treasurers in that behalfe. And it is further Ordained, that after such forfeiture incurred, it may and shall be lawfull for any five or more of the Contractors to contract for and sell all or any of the said Lands, so contracted for, and not prosecuted, to any other person or persons, notwithstanding the former contract, as if it never had been made (any former Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding.) And it is lastly Ordained, that the Trustees for the said Lands, do forthwith send this Ordinance to the respective Sheriffes of the severall Counties, Cities, and Borowghes in the Kingdome of England and Domion of Wales, who are hereby required to publish this present Ordinance in the chief Market Towns of the said County, the next Market day after the Receipt thereof; And the day of the publication thereof to certifie to the said Trustees.

Jo. Browne Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyngre Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Luna 24. Julii, 1648.

AN
ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Assembled in
PARLIAMENT,

For

*The more speedy satisfying the monies
lent upon the Credit of the Ordinances for*
SALE OF
BISHOPS-LANDS.



HEREAS by severall Ordinances of Parliament, the Lands and Possessions of the late Archbishops and Bishops stand engaged for the payment of 800000*l.* which premisses are by Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 16. of November, 1646. entituled, *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled*

*assembled in Parliament, for the appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands for the use of the Common-wealth, and by another Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 13 of May, 1647. entitled, An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for the securing all those that shall advance 200000*l.* for the service of this Kingdom and of the Kingdom of Ireland, which premisses by the said Ordinances and others are appointed to bee sold for the paying of the said debts (viz.) 400000*l.* secured by the first of the said Ordinances, and 400000*l.* secured by the second of the said Ordinances. The Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, being informed before the first of April, 1648. that to the value of 460000*l.* worth of the said premisses were sold and contracted for; and that notwithstanding the said sale, the Common-wealth payes interest for a great part of the said first 400000*l.* And to the intent that the Common-wealth may bee with more speed discharged of paying interest for the said summes, the first Lenders more speedily satisfied, and the second Lenders put in a way of receiving their monies; the Lords and Commons doe Order, Ordaine and Declare, that such monies as shall be paid in to the Treasurers of the said premisses by any purchaser or purchasers, and all such monies as shall bee raised and levied by reason of any forfeiture for not prosecuting his or their Conveyance or Conveyances within the time limited by the Ordinances of Parliament in that case made, shall bee issued out and paid by the said Treasurers for the satisfying of the first Lenders or their Assignes; such monies as was lent on the Credite of the first Ordinance, the same*

Such monie as shall be paid to the Treasurers by purchasers and for forfeiture shall be paid to the first Lenders.

same rules to be observed in the issuing out of such Mo-
neys as are expressed in other Ordinances in that case
made; It is Ordained by the authority aforesaid, That
where any Person or Persons, Body Politick or Corpo-
rate, have before the first of *April*, 1648. contracted
for any of the said Premises, such Person or Persons,
Body Politique or Corporate, shall pay or satisfie his
or their engagement for the purchase of the said Pre-
misses either in Moneys, or else by such Bills or Receipts
as were given to the respective Lenders, his or their As-
signes, by vertue of the said Ordinance of the 16. of
November, 1646. or by any assignment of such Bill or
receipt since the 16. of *November*, 1646. It is Ordai-
ned by the Authority aforesaid, That the proceed of all
the said Lands Contracted for before the first of *April*,
1648. shall be wholly appointed, made use of, and em-
ployed for the paying and satisfying of the residue of
all such persons, who on the Credit of the first Ordi-
nance advanced any moneys untill the said Lender or
his Assignes be fully satisfied all such sum or sums of
Moneys as shall be due or owing unto him or them on
the aforesaid Security. And it is further Ordained by
the Authority aforesaid, That all Contracts made since
the first of *April*, last, or hereafter to be made for any
of the said Premises, the Purchaser or Purchasers shall
and may satisfie, discharge and pay the first Moity of
his or their Purchase-money for the said Purchase, ei-
ther in Monies, or by Bills or Receipts given to any
Lender or Lenders, his or their Assignes, by vertue of
the Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 16 of *Novem-
ber*, 1646. or by the Assignment of any of the said Bills
untill the first Lenders be fully satisfied, and the second
Moity by Moneys, or out of the Bills or Receipts gi-

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cted for before
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the 16. of *No-
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first of *April*,
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vember*, 1646.

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on the Cadi-
nance of the 13.
May 1647.

ven to any Lender or Lenders, his or their assignes, by vertue of the Ordinance of Parliament dated the 13 of May, 1647. or by the assignement of any of the said Bills or Receipts; And after the satisfying and paying of the first Lenders, the second Lenders shall be satisfied and paid, as is expressed in the Ordinances in that case made; And that all payments made according to the intent of this Ordinance shall be good and effectuell to discharge the person or persons of his or their engagement or Contract for the said Premisses: And the said Treasurers are hereby authorised & enjoyned to accept of the same as good and sufficient payment, any Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Io. Brown, Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elsyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

Die Jovis, 3. Augusti, 1648.

O*rdere*d by the Commons assembled in Parliament, That the Trustees for the sale of Bishops-Lands, be required and enjoyned forthwith to print the Ordinance of the 24. of July, 1648. For the more speedy satisfying the Moneys lent upon the Credit of the Ordinances for sale of Bishops-Lands; and to publish the same.

H. Elsyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Martis, 3 Octobris, 1648.

AN
ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Assembled in
PARLIAMENT,

Authorising the Trustees to pay all Augmentations granted by the Committee of Plundered Ministers out of the rate of Bishops Lands, &c.



HEREAS by vertue of an Ordinance of Parliament of the ninth of October 1646. intituled, *An Ordinance of Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdoms of England and Dominion of Wales, and for setting of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the Common-wealth;* Sir John Wollaston Knight, John Fowke Alderman, and divers other Trustees named in the said Ordinance, are seized amongst other things of all Parsonages appropriate, tithes, oblations, pensions, portions of tithes, parsonages, and vicarages, lately belonging to the said Archbishops and Bishops subject to such Trust, and Confidence as both Houses of Parliament shall appoint, and declare, and are to

Recital of the Ordinance for setting the lands in the Trustees.

Ordained that the Trustees give warrants to the Treasurers for issuing out the Revenues of Parsonages appropriate, tithes, &c. as have been received and not disposed of to Ministers, to such persons to whom the same shall be ordered by the Committee for plundered Ministers for augmentation of maintenance.

The Trustees to give warrant to the Treasurers for payment of Arrears due for augmentations, and incurred since the 9 of October 1646. according to the said Orders.

dispose of the same, and the rents and profits thereof, as both Houses shall appoint, as in the said Ordinance is expressed and declared: Bee it Ordained, and it is hereby Ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that the said Trustees, or any five or more of them shall, and are hereby authorized and required to give warrants to the Treasurers in the said Ordinance named for the issuing out, and payment of the Rents and Revenues of the said Parsonages appropriate, tithes, oblations, obventions, pensions, portions of tithes, parsonages, and vicarages, as have been, or shall be received by the said Treasurers, and have not been otherwise disposed of, for the maintenance of Ministers to such person or persons respectively, to whom the said Rents, and Revenues, or any part, or parcell thereof, have been, or shall be ordered or assigned by the Committee for plundered Ministers for augmentation of maintenance for officiating in any Church or Chappel within the Kingdome of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, according to the effect and purport of the Orders of the said Committee respectively; And the said Trustees, or any 5 or more of them shall give and are hereby further authorized and required to give warrant to the said Treasurers for payment of Arrears due for the said augmentations and incurred since the 9 of October, 1646. according to the said Orders, and such Warrants of the said Trustees, together with the receipt of the said person or persons, who shall receive the said augmentations as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient discharge for the said Treasurers upon their accompt.

Die Martis 21 Novemb. 1648.

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ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
ASSEMBLED IN
PARLIAMENT:

Enabling a Committee of Lords and
Commons to remove Obstructions in the
sale of the Lands of the late ARCH-BISHOPS
and BISHOPS.

LONDON,
Printed by R. COTTS, for J O H N
BELLAMY. 1648.

Dec. 21. 1648.

AN
ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS AND COMMONS
IN PARLIAMENT:

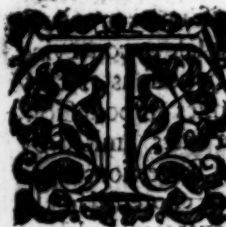
Concerning the
Lords and Commons
in Parliament

LONDON
Printed by R. Corne, for John
Deane, 1648.



Die Martis 21 Novemb. 1648.

**An Ordinance of Parliament ena-
bling a Committee of Lords and
Commons to remove Obstructi-
ons in the sale of the Lands of the
late Archbishops and Bishops.**



The Lords and Commons assembled
in Parliament taking into their con-
sideration the many Obstructions
that have and do daily happen in and
about the sale of the Mannors, Lands,
Tenements, and Hereditaments, of
the late Archbishops and Bishops:
And how necessary it is to free the

Kingdome from so great a debt with which it stands char-
ged untill the said Lands be sold: Do hereby Declare and
Ordaine, That *Algernon Earl of Northumberland, Henry
Earl of Kent, Philip Earl of Pembroke and Mountgomery,
Charles Earl of Nottingham, William Earl of Salisbury,
Basil Earl of Denbigh, Edward Earl of Manchester, Ed-
mund Earl of Mulgrave, William Lord Gray of Warke,*

*The names of
the Committee*

The Committee are to remove Obstructions which shall appear to them: or any 5 of them, or be presented to them by the Contractors or any five of them, or the Trustees, or 5 of them, or the Treasurers, or any 2 of them, or the Comptroller. And to clear doubts arising upon any clause or word in any of the Ordinances for sale or conveyance of Bishops Lands. An oath to be taken by 5 of this Committee whereof one to be a Peere. If it appear that any Tenant or other ought to have any custom or privilege, the Committee are to certify the same to the Register who is thereupon to make out a particular upon which the Contractors may proceed, &c.

Edward Lord Montague, Edward Lord Howard of Eſcrick, Mr. Prynn, Sir William Lewis, Mr. John Ash, Sir Dudley North, Mr. Treachard, Mr. Drake, Coll. Purſey, Coll. Copley, Mr. Audley, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Gemen, Mr. M. les Corbet, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Edward Ash, M. Scot, Mr. Blakiston, Coll. White, Sir Robert Harley, Mr. Francis Allen, Coll. Harvey, Coll. Penn, and Sir Harbottle Grimston, or any five or more of them shall be, and are hereby constituted a Committee of Parliament for the regulating and removing of Obstructions which shall appeare unto them, or any five or more of them, or be presented unto them as aforesaid, by the Contractors, or any five or more of them, or by the Trustees, or any five or more of them, or by the Treasurers, or any two of them, or by the Comptroller of the said premises, in the clearing the state of the said debt, and in the sale and speedy perfecting of the Conveyances of the said premises, and for the clearing of any doubts which have or shall arise upon any clause or word in any of the Ordinances for the sale or conveyance of any of the said premises to any person or persons as they shall conceive meet, so as the said premises in possession nor any part thereof be sold under the rates limited by former Ordinances of Parliament, nor any Leases for lives or years under the rates exceeding the Ordinance of Parliament dated the seventeenth day of March, one thousand six hundred forty and seven. And if it shall appeare upon the survey or by proof upon oath, which the said Committee, or any five or more of them, (whereof one to be a Peere) are hereby authorized to administer, That any Tenant or Tenants or others, by the Custome of any Mannor or place, have or hath any Custom, Customes or Priviledge, which in the purchase of

the premises ought to be considered and allowance made unto the purchaser in his purchase for the same, The said Committee as aforesaid are hereby authorized to certify the Custome proved as aforesaid to the Register, who is thereupon to make out a particular, upon which the Contractors shall and may proceed to sell or make allowance unto the purchaser, and the Trustees to convey, as if the same had been expressed in the Survey. And where any complaint shall be made by any purchaser or purchasers or others of any irregularity or exactions of Fees by any Officer or Clerk now employed, or hereafter to be employed in, about, or concerning the premises, The said Committee as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to examine, allow, appoint, remove, and regulate such fees, charges, and Officers not already limited and appointed by Ordinance of Parliament, and also appoint such Officers or others, employed or to be employed about or concerning the same, as they shall think fit and necessary. And after allowance of such Officers Fee or charges certified by the said Committee to the Trustees or any five or more of them, they shall and may make out a Warrant or Warrants from time to time to the Treasurers for the paying of the same, which the Treasurers shall, and are hereby authorized to pay accordingly, and the parties receipt to whom the monies are so assigned, shall be to them a sufficient discharge: Provided that this shall not take away any power the Trustees, Contractors, or Treasurers by Ordinance of Parliament have in the nomination of their Officers, and also to ascertaine, and allow out of the premises or profits thereof to any Officers or others, who have Fees, Rents, Annuities or other charges as shall appear to be justly due by any lawfull grant from

Exactions of
Fees by any
Officer or
Clerk.

The Committee
to appoint and
allow Officers
and Fees,
The Trustees
to give warrants
for payment of
them.

Proviso for Of-
ficers nominated
by the Trustees,
Treasurers and
Contractors,
And to ascertain
and allow
to Officers or
others, who
have Fees,
Rents, or Charges,
due by grant
from any Bishop.

Doubts and differences arising among the Trustees, Contractors, Treasurers, Comptroller, to be determined by this Committee.

If any person have any Writings or Evidences, &c. belonging to the premises.

Or have wasted, received, or detained any houses, woods, rents, &c.

And shall refuse obedience to the Orders of this Committee concerning the same.

shall be liable to the same.

any of the Arch-Bishops or Bishops; and if any doubt or difference shall arise among the Trustees, Contractors, Treasurers, Comptroller, or any of them, or any others employed in, or about the said premises, or any of them, or any part thereof, or any thing concerning the same; That the said Committee, or any five or more of them, upon information thereof by them or any of them, shall call before them such person or persons, and shall heare, examine, settle, and determine the same, and such order, direction, and determination, as they shall make, shall be the rule by which such person or persons shall proceed therein; and they are hereby authorised and enjoined to proceed accordingly; And if any person or persons whatsoever, have in his or their custody, or hereafter shall have the possession of any Writing, Evidences, Charters, counterparts of Leases, Rent rolls, Records, Ledger books, or any other thing or things of or belonging to the said premises, or any part thereof; which by force or virtue of any Ordinance, or Ordinances of Parliament have been vested, settled, or ought to be, or have been in the possession of the foresaid Trustees, Register, his or their assigns, or any purchaser or purchasers thereof, their heirs or assigns, or belonging unto him or them, or have since the first of December, one thousand six hundred forty and six, or hereafter shall waste, spoil, receive, take, or detain any of the Castles, Houses, Buildings, Woods, Underwoods, Rents, Issues, and profits of the said premises, and shall refuse to yeeld obedience to all or any Ordinance of Parliament touching the premises, and to such further orders, directions, and determinations of the said Committee, or any five or more of them, shall make of, and concerning the same; That then the said Committee

as aforeſaid, are hereby authoriſed to ſummon before them, or any five or more of them, ſuch perſon or perſons, and if he or they ſhall reſuſe to appeare upon ſummons, then to ſend for him or them in ſafe cuſtody, and to heare and examine him or them, and likewiſe to ſend for Papers, Writings, Evidences, Records, and Witneſſes touching the ſame, and to examine Witneſſes upon oath, which the ſaid Committee, or any five or more of them, are hereby authoriſed to adminiſter, and thereupon to determine the ſame, and to aſſeſſe dammages upon the perſon or perſons ſo offending, ſo as the ſaid dammages doe not exceed ſuch damage as is proved upon oath as aforeſaid, the purchaſer or purchaſers, or the eſtate have or hath ſuſtained by ſuch entry, detainer, waſte, or ſpoil, and the party or parties ſo offending, are hereby required to pay ſuch dammages as ſhall be given the State, unto the ſaid Treasuſers, and to the purchaſer, or purchaſers of the ſaid premiſes, ſuch dammages as ſhall be given him or them reſpectively within fourteen daies after judgement given as aforeſaid, or elſe to give ſufficient ſecurity to the ſaid Treasuſers, and to ſuch purchaſer or purchaſers reſpectively to pay the dammages ſo aſſeſſed within three months; the which ſum or ſums of money paid in to the ſaid Treasuſers, are to be iſſued out and diſpoſed of by the ſaid Treasuſers for ſuch uſes as are appointed by former Ordinances of Parliament, for the ſale of the Lands of the late Archbiſhops and Biſhops, and according to ſuch Warrant or Warrants as they ſhall from time to time receive from the ſaid Truſtees, any five or more of them, and that receipt of ſuch perſon or perſons to whoſe uſe the ſaid monies is appointed, together with the Warrant of the ſaid Truſtees, ſhall be a ſufficient diſcharge unto the ſaid Treasuſers for the

monies.

They are to be ſummoned beſore this Committee, who upon reſuſall to appeare are to ſend for them in ſafe cuſtody. And to ſend for papers, witneſſes, &c.

This Committee or any 5 of them to examine witneſſes upon oath.

And to aſſeſſe dammages upon the perſons offending.

Dammages to be aſſeſſed to the State to be paid to the Treasuſers.

But dammages to the purchaſer to himſelf within 14 daies.

Or to give ſecurity to pay in within 3 months.

The Treasuſers are to diſpoſe of the ſaid dammages for the uſes appointed by the former Ordinances by Warrant of the Truſtees.

any person
offending refuse
obedience to
the said Ordina-
nces, or the
Orders of this
Committee,
they are to be
committed to
safe custody.

Any person
having posses-
sion of any Bi-
shops houses
&c. having no
lease thereof
made before the
first of Decem-
ber, 1641. Doe
contrary to the
order of this
Committee re-
fuse to deliver
possession.

Then this Com-
mittee are to
issue out War-
rant to the
Sheriffe of the
County to clear
the possession.

And to raise
the posse Comi-
tar' if resisted.

And to break
open doores &c.

monies so paid. And if the said person or persons so offend-
ing, shall notwithstanding refuse to yeeld obedience unto
the said Ordinances of Parliament, or such orders and di-
rections as the said Committee (as aforesaid) shall make
and set downe concerning the premises or any part of
them, that then the said Committee or any five or more
of them are hereby authoris'd to commit such person or
persons to safe custody till he or they yeeld obedience there-
unto: And it is further ordain'd, that if any person or per-
sons have since the first day of *December*, one thousand six
hundred forty and one, possessed him or themselves, or
hereafter shall possesse him or themselves of any the Cas-
tles, Houses, or Buildings, or other the premisses of the
said late Archbishops and Bishops, he or they having no
Lease or grant thereof, from such Archbishops or Bi-
shops made before the first day of *December*, one thou-
sand six hundred forty and one, and shall contrary to the
order and determination of the said Committee as afore-
said, refuse to yeeld up, or by force keepe the possession of
any the said premisses against the said Trustees, or the
purchasor, or purchasors of the same; That then the
said Committee as aforesaid, are hereby authoris'd to is-
sue out a Warrant or Warrants unto the Sheriffe or She-
riffes of the respective place or County where such de-
tainer is used; requiring him or them forthwith to re-
paire to the place, and to clear the possession, and such
Sheriffe or Sheriffes are hereby authoris'd and required
to doe the same, and to raise the *posse Comitat'* if he or
they shall finde resistance, and by force of Armes to sup-
presse the same, and also to break open doores and gates
for the cleering of the possession of the said premisses,
and the same so cleared to deliver up unto the said Tru-
stees,

free or such person as they or any five or more of them shall authorise to receive the same, or to the purchaser or purchasers or such person or persons as he or they shall authorise to receive the same; And the said Sheriffe or Sheriffes are further authorised to commit to the next common Prison for one moneth such person or persons as he or they shall finde to resist him or them in the execution of such Warrant or Warrants as he or they shall receive from the said Committee as aforesaid, and such Warrant or Warrants as he or they shall receive as aforesaid, shall be a good and sufficient discharge unto him or them for so doing; And it is further ordained, that where any Certificate or Survey hath been or shall be made and returned to the Trustees or Register, that any Tenant hath neglected or refused to shew his evidences by which he holds his estate, nor made his claim nor estate appeare by sufficient witnesses within the time limited by the Ordinance of Parliament, and according to the directions of the said Ordinance, by reason of which his estate is forfeited and the premisses sold as in possession, the said Committee are hereby authorised upon the appeal of such person or persons unto them or any five or more of them, to heare and determine such case or cases, and to send for papers, writings, and witnesses touching the same, and the witnesses if they see cause to examine upon Oath which they are hereby authorised to administer: And if it shall appeare to the said Committee that such default was not through any wilfull neglect or contempt of the power & authority of the Parliament, but upon other good and sufficient causes shewne to and to be allowed by the said Committee, they shall and may and are hereby authorised thereupon to discharge

And to deliver possession to the Trustees or the purchaser.

And the Sheriffe may commit such as resist him.

Where any Tenant hath neglected to shew his evidences to make his claim according to the Ordinance and thereby forfeited his Estate.

This Committee are to determine the case.

And to examine witnesses upon oath.

If such default were not through contempt, this Committee may discharge the estate of such person from the forfeiture.

Which they are
to certifye to the
Contractors who
are to make a
reprise for it out
of the purchase
money unpaid.
And to certifye
to the Treasur-
ers who are to
allow the same.
Provided that
such Tenant
make his appeal
before payment
of the second
moiety.

Such order or
discharge of this
Committee to
be effectual al-
though the same
were forfeited
and sold as in
possession.

If any one intend-
ing to purchase
any lands where
there hath been
any such neglect
or refusal of the
Tenants certified
to the survey or
forfeiture incur-
red, doe procure
a Certificate of
their names from
Contractors.
Then this Com-
mittee are to
send for such
Tenants and
their sales &c.

doth not
and must not

the estate of such person of and from the said forfeiture,
which they shall certifye to the said Contractors or any
five or more of them, who are hereby authorisid and re-
quired out of the purchase moneys unpaid to reprise so
much as the purchase of such part of the premises was
estimated at in sale thereof, which they shall certifye unto
the Treasurers who are hereby authorisid and required
to allow the same unto such purchaser or purchasers out
of his or their moneys which shall be unpaid at the time
of the receipt of such certificate, which shall be a suffici-
ent discharge to the said Treasurers; Provided that such
Tenant or Tenants make his or their appeal to the
said Committee before the payment of the second Moi-
ty for such purchase: And it is further Ordained that
such order or discharge made as aforesaid, shall be good
and effectual to such Tenant or Tenants to have, hold
and enjoy the particular estate and interest he claimed
and made appear as aforesaid he ought to have and en-
joy the said premises, notwithstanding the same were for-
feited and sold as in possession: And it is further Orda-
ined, that if any such person or persons who intend to be
the purchaser or purchasers of any of the Heredita-
ments and possessions of the late Archbishops and Bi-
shops where there hath been or shall be any such neglect
or refusal of the Tenants as aforesaid, certified upon the
survey of the said premises or forfeiture incurred doe or
shall procure from the Contractors a Certificate un-
to the said Committee of the names of such Tenant
or Tenants who have refused or neglected, and for-
feited, or shall neglect, refuse or forfeit as aforesaid,
That then the said Committee as aforesaid are here-
by authorisid to send for such Tenant or Tenants

as likewise for their leases or copies, and other writings concerning their estate in the premises; which if he or they shall refuse to produce or make his or their estate appear by prooffe upon Oath which the Committee is hereby authorized to administer, That then the said Committee may commit such person and persons to safe custody there to remaine untill he or they yeeld obedience to this and other ordinances of Parliament, and such orders as the said Committee shall make touching the premises; And the said Contractors may notwithstanding sell such premises as in possession according to a former Ordinance of Parliament: And in case of obedience and conformity to the Ordinances of Parliament, and such Orders as the said Committee shall make touching the premises, the said Committee are hereby authorized to discharge the estate of such person or persons of and from the said forfeiture, and the same together with the particular interest is made appear unto them to certifye as well to the Trustees as Register; And the Register shall make his particular accordingly: And the said Contractors are hereby authorized to contract for and sell and Trustees to convey the same as if it had been expressed in the survey: And it is further Ordained that where in any survey made or to be made of any of the Mannors, Lands, Tenants, and hereditaments of the said late Archbishops, and Bishops, there shall be any words wanting, without which the said Committee or any five or more of them, or the said Contractors, or any six or more of them, shall conceive that the said premises, or any part thereof comprised in any such survey, or any of the Courts, Fran-

Which they refuse to produce or make their estates appear upon each, this Committee may commit them to safe custody. And the Contractors may notwithstanding sell the premises as in possession. And in case of obedience to the ordinances of Parliament, and orders of this Committee, they may discharge the estate of such person from forfeiture. And the same with the particular interest is made appear to certifye to the Trustees and Register. And the Contractors and Trustees are to sell and convey accordingly. If any words be wanting in any survey to passe the lands &c. contracted for, the Register may insert in the particular such words as this Committee or any six Contractors shall think fit.

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chises, &c.

chises, Liberties, Royalties, Priviledges, or appurtenances, to them or any of them belonging cannot be conveyed to the purchaser, or purchasers thereof, so fully as ought to be: To the intent the purchaser may have in his or their conveyance, words sufficient to pass so much of the said premisses as he or they doe or shall contract for; The Register in every particular by him made upon every such Survey, shall insert, and hereby is authorized to insert such words as the said Committee as aforesaid, or the said Contractors, or any fixe or more of them shall thinke fit, and direct, therein to be inserted, notwithstanding the same bee not expresseed in the Survey, whereupon such particular shall be made; And the said Contractors shall and may proceed, and are hereby authorized and enjoyned to contract for, and pass conveyances of the said premisses, or any part thereof according to such particular so amended; Provided that there shall be no reprise by reason of the addition of any word or clause as aforesaid, unlesse there be a value put upon the thing or things in the particular, upon which the contract is made, And it is further ordained, That if any purchaser or purchasers, or others, shall make it appear unto the said Committee, any five or more of them, by prooffe upon oath, which the said Committee as aforesaid, are hereby authorized to administer, and likewise to send for Parties, Writings, and Witnesses touching the premisses, that the premisses contracted for, or conveyed, are subject and liable unto any estate, charge, or incumbrance not mentioned in the Survey of the said premisses, or that the premisses were not the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments of the said late Archbishops, or Bishops, That then the said Committee,

And the Contractors are to proceed according to the Particular so amended.

Provided that no reprise be made but where a value is put upon the thing &c.

If any purchaser or other make it appear that the premisses contracted for, or conveyed, are subject to any incumbrance not mentioned in the Survey, or that the premisses were not the Bishops Land,

mittee, or any five or more of them, are hereby authorized to heare and examine the same, as aforesaid, and thereupon to determine the same, and to certifie unto the said Contractors their resolution and determination of, and concerning the premises; And the said Contractors are hereby authorized to allow unto such purchaser or purchasers, by way of reprice out of his or their monies unpaid, so much as the said estate, charge, or incumbrance, proved, as aforesaid, shall be valued at, and the same to certifie to the Trustees, who shall issue out Warrant, or Warrants, to the Treasurers, to defaulte and allow the same unto such purchaser or purchasers; And where the said Contractors shall be certified as aforesaid, that the premises contracted for, or conveyed, were not the premises of the said late Archbishops, or Bishops, they shall and may, and are hereby authorized to discharge such purchaser or purchasers of his or their contract. And in case where any purchaser hath perfected his conveyance, if the said Committee as aforesaid doe or shall certifie the said Trustees, or any five or more of them, that the premises are not the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, of the said late Archbishops or Bishops; That then the said Trustees as aforesaid, shall issue out **their** Warrant to the Treasurers to repay such person or persons his or their monies forthwith out of such monies as are in Treasury, or out of the next monies which shall come into the Treasury, And the said Warrant, together with the Receipt of the party, shall bee a good and sufficient discharge to the said Treasurers; And it is further ordained that if any doubt shall be made or arise upon any word or clause

Then this Committee are to heare and determine the same and to certifie their resolutions to the Contractors who are to make allowance of the same by way of reprice out of the monies unpaid, and certifie the same to the Trustees, who are to give Warrants to the Treasurers therefore.

And the Contractors are to discharge the purchaser of this contract made for Lands which shall be so certified not to belong to the Bishop.

And where the Purchaser in that case hath perfected this conveyance, the Trustees (upon such certificate of this Committee) shall issue out Warrants to the Treasurers to repay the purchase money forthwith.

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arise up
on any word
or clause of this
or any other
Ordinance
touching the
premises, the
Trustees and o-
ther Officers are
to proceed ther-
in according to
the determinati-
on of this Com-
mittee therein.
Affors upon
this Ordinance
to be saved
harmlesse.

in this present Ordinance, or any other Ordinance of Parliament, touching, and concerning the premises, by the said Trustees, Contractors, Treasurers, and other Officers, imployed about, or concerning the said premises: The said Trustees, Contractors, Treasurers, and other Officers imployed as aforesaid, are hereby authorised and enjoined to proceed therein according to the determination and direction of the said Committee, any five or more of them, any former Order or Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding; And what soever the said Committee, Trustees, Treasurers, and other Officers, or any of them, shall do in pursuance of this present Ordinance, they shall be saved harmelesse and indemnified by authority of Parliament.

Job. Brown
Cler. Parl.

H. Elsyng Cler. Parl.
Dom. Com.

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ORDINANCES
AND
DECLARATIONS
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
ASSEMBLED IN
PARLIAMENT:

For the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of WALES.

And for settling of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the COMMON-WEALTH.

Die Lunæ 23. Novemb. 1646.

IT is this day Ordered by the Lords in Parliament assembled; That the severall Ordinances printed for the sale of the Bishops Lands shall be called in; And that the Trustees therein mentioned, or the major part of them shall take care for the true printing thereof, according to the said Ordinance, any Order whatsoever notwithstanding.

Joh. Browne Cleric. Parliamentorum.

LONDON,
Printed by R. Cotes, for John Bellamy. 1648.

ORDINANCES

AND

DECLARATIONS

OF THE

LORDS and COMMONS

ASSEMBLED IN

PARLIAMENT.

For the Abolition of Archbishopric and Bishopric within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales.

At the sitting of their Lordships and Commons now sitting for the year of the

COMMON-V-EALTY.

The third of November 1643.

It is hereby declared that the Archbishopric and Bishopric within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales are hereby abolished and the same shall be void and inane from the first day of January next ensuing.

Printed by R. Cross for John Bellamy, 1643.



Die Veneris 9 Octob. 1646.

**An Ordinance of Parliament, for the
abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops,
within the kingdom of *England*, and Dominion
of *Wales*, and for settling of their Lands and
Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the
Common-wealth.**



OR the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops, and providing for the payment of the just and necessary debts of the Kingdom, into which the same hath been drawn by a War, mainly promoted by and in favour of the said Archbishops, and Bishops, and other their Adherents, and Dependents; Be it Ordained, and it is Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same; That the Name, Title, Style, and Dignity of Archbishop of *Canterbury*, Archbishop of *York*, Bishop of *Winchester*, Bishop of *Durham*, and of all other Bishops of any Bishopricks within the kingdom of *England*, and Dominion of *Wales*; be from and after the fifth day of *September*, in the year of our Lord God, 1646. wholly abolished and taken away, and are hereby abolished and taken away. And

*The name and
title abolished.*

The Lands, pos-
sessions and evi-
dences of Bi-
shops settled in
Trusts.

all and every person and persons are and be thenceforth disabled to hold the place, function, or stile of Arch-
bishop, or Bishop of any Church, Sea, or Diocess, now
established or erected, or hereafter to be established or e-
rected within the Kingdom of *England*, Dominion of
Wales, or Town of *Berwick*, or to use or put in ure any Arch-
chiepiscopall or Episcopall Jurisdiction, or authority, by
force of any Letters Patents from the Crown, made or
to be made, or by any other authority whatsoever, any
Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwith-
standing. And be it further Ordained, and it is hereby
Ordained, that all Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors,
Lordships, Stiles, Cirenits, Precincts, Castles, Granges,
Messuages, Mills, Lands, Tenements, Meddows, Pastures,
Parsonages, appropriate Tithes, Oblations, Obventions,
Pensions, portions of Tithes, Parsonages, Vicarages,
Churches, Chappels, Advowsons, Donatives, Nomina-
tions, Rights of Patronage and Presentation, Parks,
Woods, Rents, Reversions, Services, Annuities, Fran-
chises, Liberties, Priviledges, Immunities, Rights of Ac-
tion and of Entry, Interests, Titles of Entry, Conditions,
Commons, Courts Lect, and Courts Baron, and all o-
ther possessions & Hereditaments whatsoever, with all and
every of their appurtenances of what nature or quality so-
ever, they be, which now are, or at any time within 10 years
before the beginning of this present Parliament, were be-
longing to the said Archbishops, or Bishops, Archbishop-
ricks, or Bishopricks, or any of them, which they, or any
of them had held and enjoied in the Right of their Arch-
bishopricks, or Bishopricks, Dignities, Offices, or Places
respectively; together with all Charters, Deeds, Books,
Accounts, Rolls, and other Writings and Evidences what-
soever, concerning the premises, or any of them, which
do

Deeds.

do belong to any the said Archbishops, or Bishops, Arch-
 bishopricks, and Bishopricks, are vested, and settled; ad-
 judged and deemed to be, and are hereby in the reall and
 actuall possession and seisin of *Thomas Adams* Alderman, Trustees names,
 now Lord Major of the City of London, *Sir John Wolla-*
ston Knight, *Sir George Clarke* Knight, *John Langham*
 Alderman, *John Fowke* Alderman, *James Bunce* Alderman,
William Gibbes Alderman, *Samuel Avery* Alderman,
Thomas Noel, *Christopher Pack*, *John Bellamy*, *Edward*
Hooker, *Thomas Arnold*, *Richard Glide*, *William Hobson*,
Francis Ash, *John Babington*, *Laurence Bromfield*, *Alex-*
ander Iones, *John Iones*, *Richard Venner*, *Stephen Estwick*,
Robert Mead, and *James Story*; their heires and assignes;
 And that they the said *Thomas Adams*, now Lord Major
 of the City of London, *Sir John Wollaston* Knight, *Sir*
George Clarke Knight, *John Langham* Alderman, *John*
Fowke Alderman, *James Bunce* Alderman, *William Gibbes*
 Alderman, *Samuel Avery* Alderman, *Thomas Noel*, *Chri-*
stopher Pack, *John Bellamy*, *Edward Hooker*, *Thomas Ar-*
nold, *Richard Glide*, *William Hobson*, *Francis Ash*, *John*
Babington, *Laurence Bromfield*, *Alexander Iones*, *John*
Iones, *Richard Venner*, *Stephen Estwick*, *Robert Mead*, and
James Story, and the Survivor and Survivers of them and
 their Heires, and Assignes, shall hold all such the premisses
 as are now held of the King, of the King his heires and
 successors, as of his Mannor of East Greenwich in Fee
 and common socage by fealty, and the Annuall Rents
 therefore respectively due, and payable within ten yeares
 last past, before the beginning of this present Parliament;
 and not in Capite nor by other Tenures or services; and
 shall hold all and every the premisses which the said Arch-
 bishops, and Bishops, held of any other then of the King,
 by the Rents, and other Services therefore due, and of
 right.

The Lands
 which the Bi-
 shops held of
 the King to be
 holden as of the
 Mannor of East
 Greenwich in
 socage.

And the Lands
 holden of other
 Lords, to be
 holden by the
 Rents and Servi-
 ces accustomed

And discharged
of Titles,

The Trustees to
name Surveyors.

To put the deeds
in safe custody.

The Surveyors
Oath.

right accustomed; And the said Trustees, their heires, assignes, Farmers, and Tenants, shall also have, hold, and enjoy the premisses, and every of them freed, acquitted and discharged of, and from the payment of Tithes, as fully as the said Archbishops, and Bishops did hold and enjoy, or ought to hold and enjoy the same, at any time, during the space of ten years aforementioned, or any time since. And it is further by the same authority Ordained, that the said Trustees shall have power and are authorized, to make, nominate, and appoint from time to time, fit and able persons, such as they shall think fit, to survey the premises in any County or Counties of *England* and *Wales*, and to hold Court of surveys, and to demand, receive, and in safe custody to put all the said Charters, deeds, books, accompts, rolls, writings, and evidences, that they may be put in such place in the City of *London*, as the said persons beforenamed, or the major part of them shall order and appoint; And the said Trustees or any three or more of them, as aforesaid, are hereby authorized and required to administer an Oath unto all and every the Surveyors, who shall take the same before he shall execute the said place, in these words, *viz.*

I A.B. do swear, that I will faithfully and truly, according to my best skil and knowledge, execute the place of a Surveyor, according to the purport of an Ordinance, entitled An Ordinance of Parliament for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Dominion of Wales, and for settling of their Lands and possessions upon Trustees, for the use of the Commonwealth. I shall use my best endeavour and skill to discover the estates therein mentioned, and every part thereof, which shall be given me in charge, and to finde out the true values and improvements thereof, and thereof shall make true particulars,

particulars, according to my best skill and cunning; and the same from time to time deliver in writing close sealed up, unto the said Trustees, or any two of them, according to the true intent and meaning of the said Ordinance; and this I shall justly and faithfully execute, without any gift or reward, directly or indirectly, from any person or persons whatsoever.

Nevertheless it is declared and ordained, that the said persons before named, their Heires and Assignes shall have and hold the premisses and every of them subject to such trusts and confidence as both Houses of Parliament shall appoint, and declare and dispose of the same, and the Rents and profits thereof, as the said Houses shall order and appoint; wherein the Lords and Commons do declare; that due respect shal be had towards such persons and their Assignes as are interessed in the premisses by vertue of any demise heretofore made; Provided that the said Trustees, their Heires or Assignes shall not avoid any leases made for any Term or estate, not exceeding three lives, or one and twenty yeares in possession, or in such manner as shall together with the lease in being shall not exceed three lives or one and twenty yeares, so as the old and accustomed rent and rents, or so much rent and rents, as the ancient and accustomed rent amounteth unto, be reserved payable during the said voidable Term and Terms or estates, and so as the said Leases have not been procured or purchased of any Bishop, since the first of December, Anno Domini 1641. And be it further Ordained by the authority aforesaid, that if any Archbishop, or Bishop, have at any time since the first day of December, Anno Domini 1641, made any grant or lease to any person or persons, body politique or corporate, of any the Honors, Manors, Lordships, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments,

The Trust.

Due respect to Tenants.

Leases not exceeding 3 lives, or 21 years, whereupon the old rent is reserved, are not to be avoided.

Leases made since the first of December 1641, by Bishops, to be void.

reditaments, or any other the premises aforesaid, or any
 of them in right of their Archbishopricks or Bishopricks,
 the same grant or lease shall be utterly void and of none
 effect; and the person or persons, body politique or cor-
 porate, unto whom the same was made, shall have no be-
 nefit thereby; Provided and be it ordained, and it is here-
 by ordained, that if any person or persons, body politique
 or corporate, at any time or times since the first day of
December, in the year of our Lord God, 1641. who had
 any grant or lease for one or more life, or lives, or any
 number of years of the premises; or any part thereof, as is
 aforesaid, and surrendered the same; to the end that he or
 they might have a new grant or lease granted or made
 unto him or them, which by this present Ordinance is
 made void, and the same was accordingly granted or
 made unto him or them; That the said person or persons,
 body politique or corporate, who hath so surrendered any
 such former grant or lease, his and their heires, successors,
 Executors, Administrators, and Assignes, shall have, hold,
 possesse, and enjoy such time and term, as he or they had, in
 any part of the said premises by vertue of any such former
 grant or lease, in such sort and manner as he or they should
 have had, held, and enjoyed the same, if no such surrender
 had been made, subject neverthelesse to such payments of
 rent and other services, and such covenants, conditions, and
 agreements as in the said former Grants or Leases were
 expressed and contained, saving unto all and every person
 and persons, their heires, executors, and administrators,
 bodies politique and corporate, and their successors, other
 then the King, his heires and successors, all Archbishops,
 and Bishops, and other then the founders and donors as
 founders and donors of and to the said Archbishopricks
 and Bishopricks, and their heires, all such right, title, in-
 terest,

Those that have
 surrendered their
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 cember 1641.
 shall enjoy their
 old Leases,

Saving the right
 of all persons
 other then the
 King and Bi-
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interest, possession, rights in Law, or equity, entries, annuities, commodities, fees, and other profits which they or any of them before the said first day of *December*, 1641. ought lawfully to have had in, or to the premises or any part or parcell thereof, as if this Ordinance had never been had or made; also saving to all such person or persons as have adhered to the Parliament, all such estate as he or they since the first day of *May*, *An. Dom. 1641.* have forfeited or made forfeitable for non-payment of Rent, or not performing of services to any Bishop or Bishops, except it be in the case of a Lease made utterly void by this Ordinance, by reason the same hath been procured or purchased of any Bishop since the aforesaid first day of *December*, *An. Dom. 1641.* and likewise saving to *Philip* Earl of *Pembroke* and *Montgomery*, and his heires, all such right as he and they have to the Messuage called *Duresme House*, and certaine Stables, late of the possessions of *Thomas* Bishop of *Duresme*, situate in the Parish of *St. Marins* in the Fields, in the County of *Middlesex*, lately granted by Act of this present Parliament; this present Ordinance, or any thing therein contained in any wise notwithstanding; Provided also, and it is hereby further ordained by the authority aforesaid, that all and singular Revenues, Rents, Issues, Fees, Profits, sums of Money, and allowances whatsoever, as have heretofore been, and now ought to be paid, disposed and allowed unto, and for the maintenance of any Grammar-school, or Schollers, or for or toward the reparation of any Church, Chappel, High-way, Cause-way, Bridges, School-house, Almshouse, or any other charitable or pious use, or for maintaining of any Lecture, or Preachers payable out of any the premises, or which are chargeable, or ought to issue out of, or to be paid for, or in respect of the said premises, or any of them, shall be

Saving to such persons as have adhered to the Parliament such estates as they have forfeited for non payment of rent.

Duresme House

Rents payable to charitable uses to be continued.

Sheriffs to pre-
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Commissions
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of charitable
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and continue to be paid and allowed as they were, and have been heretofore, any thing in this present Ordinance to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And it is further ordained, that the Sheriffe of every County and place who is to attend the respective Courts where any Felony is to be tryed and determined, shall provide and present to the Judge or Judges of such Courts, some able and fit person to do such things as by the office of the Ordinary have been used to be done, which person and persons shal have authority, and are hereby enjoyned to performe that service in such manner as the respective Ordinaries heretofore have used to do. Provided also, that all Commissions upon the Statute of charitable uses, shall bee valid, though the Bishop be therein omitted, and the other Commissioners shall proceed therein as fully, as they might have heretofore done, when the Bishop was therein named; and that all Issues tryable by the Ordinary or Bishop, shal be tryed by Jury in usual course.

Joh. Brown Cleric. Parliamentorum;

H. Elfyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

Die Martis 13 October, 1646.

THe Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, intending to raise the sum of two hundred thousand pounds, for the present service of the State, for the encouragement of such as shall advance any sum for, and towards the same, and to the intent they may have notice thereof, do Declare, that every person who hath advanced any monies, plate, or horses, with their Furniture and Limbs, upon the Publique Faith, may for every sum of money he shall further lend, for the advancement of the said sum, be secured a like sum more out of the Receipts of the Grand Excise in court, and the sale of the Bishops Lands, (except Advowsons and Impropriations) which shall first happen, together with the Interest, after the rate of 8l. per centum, per annum, to be paid every six months out of the Receipts of the Excise, till principall and Interest be fully discharged. As for example, If there be owing to any person 100l. Principall, which, with Interest due thereupon for three years past, will make 124l. he adventuring 124l. more, may be secured for the whole 248l. as aforesaid, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser sum, and according to the Interest due thereupon. And for the more speedy re-imbursing of the said Money secured and lent for the purpose aforesaid, That the said Lands of the Bishops (except before excepted) are estated and made over to such Feoffees for the speedy sale thereof, and such Treasurers for the Receipt of the Monies, as may give satisfaction to the Lenders. And the said Lords and Commons do Declare, That it shall and may be lawfull for any person or persons to assigne his Right and Interest in any sum or sums of Money owing to him upon the Publique Faith, as aforesaid, to any person or persons that will advance the like sum, in manner as is before expressed.

Any person may assign his debt upon the publique Faith.

Joh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.
H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

Die Sabbath, 14 November 1646.

The Declarati
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BE it Declared by the Lords and Commons in Parli-
ament assembled, That the first hundred thousand
pounds which shall be raised, either by the sale of Bishops
Lands, or by the credite of the Ordinances which are pas-
sed for that purpose, shall be paid to our brethren of Scot-
land, upon the marching of their Army and Forces out of
this kingdom at such time and place as shall be selected
upon: and the next fifty thousand pounds so raised at the
end of three months after the former payment: and fifty
thousand pounds more raised as aforesaid, at the end of
nine months after the first payment: But in case the latter
hundred thousand pounds shall be with more speed pro-
cured, the same shall be sooner paid unto them, although
there be no engagement for a more speedy payment, then
at the times formerly expressed.


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Die Luna Nouemb. 16. 1646

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands for the use of the Common-wealth.

 Hereas by an Ordinance of the Lords and Commons made the ninth of ~~October~~ *October* one thousand six hundred forty six, the name, title, stile, and dignity of Archbishop of *Canterbury*, Archbishop of *York*, Bishop of *Winchester*, Bishop of *Duresme*, and of all other Bishops of any Bishopricks within the kingdom of *England* and dominion of *Wales*, from the fifth of *September*, one thousand six hundred forty six, is wholly abolished and taken away, and all and every person and persons are disabled to hold the place, function, or stile, of Archbishop or Bishop of any Church, Sea, or Diocess, within the kingdom of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, by any authority whatsoever; And all Counties Palatine, Honors, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other the premises in the said Ordinance mentioned, were and are verified and settled, adjudged, and deemed to be in the real and

Record of the first Ordinance

a^{ct}uall possession and seisin of *Thomas Adams* Alderman,
 then Lord Major of the City of London, *Sir John Wolla-*
ston Knight, *Sir George Clarke* Knight, *John Langham*
 Alderman, *John Fowke* Alderman, *James Bunce* Alderman,
William Gibbes Alderman, *Samuel Avery* Alderman,
Thomas Noel, *Christopher Pack*, *John Bellamy*, *Edward*
Hooker, *Thomas Arnold*, *Richard Glide*, *William Hobson*,
Francis Ash, *John Babington*, *Lawrence Bromfield*, *Alex-*
ander Jones, *John Jones*, *Richard Venner*, *Stephen Estwick*,
Robert Mead, and *James Story*, their heires and assignes;
 upon trust and confidence that the said persons before na-
 med, their heires and assigns, should have and hold the pre-
 mises, and every of them, subject to such trust and confi-
 dence as both Houses of Parliament should appoint, de-
 clare, and dispose of the same, and the rents and profits
 thereof, as the said Houses should order and appoint. And
 whereas the said Lords and Commons the thirteenth of
 October, one thousand six hundred forty six, last declared
 they intending to raise the sum of two hundred thousand
 pounds for the present service of the State, that for the en-
 couragement of such who shall advance any sum, for, and
 towards the same, and to the intent they might have no-
 tice thereof, that every person who hath advanced any
 Money, Plate, or Horses, with their Furniture, and Arms,
 upon the publique faith, may for every sum of money he
 shall further lend for the advancement of the said sum, be
 secured a like sum more out of the Receipt of the Grand
 Excise in course, and the sale of the Bishops Lands, (ex-
 cept Advowsons and Impropriations) which shall first
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 discharged; as for example, if there be owing to any per-
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son a hundred pounds principall, which with Interest due thereupon for three yeares past will make a hundred twenty foure ponneds, he adventuring a hundred twenty foure pounds more, may be secured for the whole two hundred forty eight pounds, as aforesaid, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser summe, and according to the Interest due thereupon: And for the more speedy reimbursing of the said money secured and lent, for the purpose aforesaid, that the said Lands of the Bishops (except before excepted) are estated and made over to such Fees for the speedy sale thereof, & such Treasurers for the receipt of the monneys, as may give satisfaction to the lenders. And have thereby further declared, that it shal & may be lawfull for any person or persons to assigne his right and interest in any sum or sums of money owing to him upon the publique faith as aforesaid, to any person or persons that shall advance the like sum in manner as is before expressed. And therefore for and towards the satisfying of the said two hundred thousand pounds to be raised, or so much thereof as shall be raised, and of such money as according to the said Declaration the said lenders are to be repaid for Money, Plate, Horses with their furniture and armes, advanced upon the publique faith, with Interest for the same, after the rate aforesaid, The said Lords and Commons have declared and ordained, and doe hereby declare and ordaine, That the said *Thomas Adams* and other the persons before named, and the Survivors, and Survivor of them, and the Heires of the Survivor of them shall stand and be seized of all and singular the said premises so vested and settled in them, their Heires and Assignes (except Parsonages appropriate, Tithes, Tithes appropriate, oblations, obventions, portions of Title, Parsonages, Vicarages, Churches, Chappels, Advowsons, Dona-

The Trustee to stand seized and receive the rents and profits of the Bishops lands due after the first of November, 1646.

Donatives, Nominatives, Rights of Patronage and Presentation) and shall take all the Rents, Revenues, issues and profit, which were due and payable after the first of *November*, one thousand six hundred forty six, notwithstanding any Sequestration of the same, and all other the Rents, Revenues, Issues and Profits, that shall at any time hereafter become due and payable for the said premisses or any part of them, untill sale shall be made of the same to the uses, intents, and purposes herein and hereafter declared: And be it ordained that the said Trustees, or the major part of them, shall have Power and Authority, and are hereby Authorised, to take into their Assistance such Counsell Learned, and to appoint such Stewards of Mannors, and all other Officers and Persons, as they or the major part of them should hold fit and necessary for the putting of this Ordinance in Execution, and to give such Fees, and make such allowance to the said Counsell, Stewards of Mannors, Officers and persons as they shall hold fit and necessary. And to make Warrants to the Treasurers for the payment of the same, who are hereby required to pay the same accordingly, untill Sale shall be made of the premisses, to the uses, intents, and purposes herein, and hereafter declared as aforesaid. That is to say, that out of the Money raised by the Sale of the said Premises, or any part of them that shall be sold, and out of the said Rents, Revenues, Issues, and Profits of the said premisses or any part of them, there shall be paid and satisfied the severall sums of Money, with Interest at the rate aforesaid, that by this present Ordinance are, or are intended to be paid and satisfied, together with all Charges to be paid or borne, for or by reason of the Execution of the trust in them reposed, and after the full and due payment of the same, that they their Heires, Executors, and

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The Trustees to choose their Counsell and appoint Stewards of Mannors and other Officers and persons who are to be paid by the Treasurers untill the monies payable by this Ordinance be paid with all charges,

Administrators respectively, shall stand seized and possessed of such of the said Counties Palatine, Honor, Mannors, Lands, and Premises remaining unsold. And of the Moneys raised by Sale of the Premises or of any part of them remaining undisposed, for the use and benefit of the Common-wealth, as shall be limited and appointed by both Houses of Parliament and be it also ordered and ordained by the Authority aforesaid, that *John Blackwell* senior of *Mareclack* in the County of *Surrey* Esquire, *Sir William Roberts* of *Wisden* in the County of *Middlesex* Knight, *Alderman Vyner*, *Colonell Richard Turner*, *James Russell*, *William Methold*, *Thomas Ayres* of *London* Esquire, *William Prinne* of *Lincolnes Lane* Esquire, *Robert Penneke* of *London* Esquire, *Timothy Middleton* of *Standreed* in the County of *Essex* Esquire, *Edmund Cresset* of *London* Esquire, shall have full Power and Authority, and hereby have full Power and Authority to Treat, Contract, and Agree with any person or persons, for the Sale of the said Premises, or any of them in such manner as is hereafter limited. And that the said *John Blackwell*, and other the said persons last before named, shall receive of the Treasurers herein named, two pence in the pound for every summe that shall be paid to the said Treasurers, upon all and every such Contract and Contracts, for the Sale of the Premises or any part thereof. And that the said Trustees or any five of them shall have full power, and are hereby required to convey the premises or any part thereof, by Bargaine and Sale Inrolled, according to the Statute, or otherwise by any good and sufficient Conveyance and Assurance in the Law, to any person or persons whatsoever, according to such Contract or Contracts as shall be made by the said Contractors, or any six or more of them, and coted and certified

The Contractors.

to be paid to the contractors.

The Trustees or five of them to convey according to Contract of six or more of the Contractors coted and certified to the Trustees.

And it is hereby Ordained, that the said Lands and Possessions, or any part thereof, shall be sold, or conveyed, or otherwise disposed of, by the said Contractors, appointed by the said Ordinance of Parliament of the 16th of Novemb. 1646. to Contract for, and sell the said Lands and Possessions, or any part thereof, as they shall thinke fit and necessary, to the best advantage of the said Crown, and to the satisfaction of the said Commons.



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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, touching the sale of the Mannors, Lands, and Possessions of the late Archbishopps and Bishops, and removall of severall Obstructions which hinder the sale thereof. Do Ordaine and Declare, and he is Ordained and Declared by the authority aforesaid, That the Contractors appointed by Ordinance of Parliament of the 16th of Novemb. 1646. to Contract for, and sell the said Lands and Possessions, or any part thereof, are hereby appointed; authorized and impowered to peruse all Surveys returned and to be returned of the said Lands and possessions, and to amend upon due proof made before them upon oath all mistakes in Misnomer of any person or persons, places or things; And likewise without oath to amend all other misprisions in miscasting the totall of any particular sums of money, or number of Acres, or such other like mistakes. And also to make such amendments in Surveys returned, and to insert such words of course in particulars, or Conveyances as they shall thinke fit and necessary to passe such estates as they shall contract for



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to the Purchasers according to the true intent and
 meaning of the Contract which they shall make.
 And so order and direct the respective Surveyors for
 review or amendment of any Survey returned
 as they shall see cause. And also to send by way of
 Supplement Certificates of any Estates or Interests
 which shall be made appear to them in manner & form
 hereafter expressed. To which end and purpose be it fur-
 ther ordained by the said Lords and Commons That
 all and every person & persons who claim or pretend to
 any interest or estate in any of the said Lands & Possessi-
 ons, or any Annuity, Rent charge, or other charge issuing
 out of the same, and have not made their claims, pro-
 duced their evidences, or otherwise made their Estates and
 interests appear to the respective Surveyors of the
 Lands and Tenements out of which they claim such Es-
 tates, before the returne of their respective Surveys,
 (notice and warning being given by the said Surveyors
 according to the Instructions of both Houses of Parli-
 ament in that behalf) shall, and are hereby required
 within forty dayes next after the publication of this Or-
 dinance, in such manner as is hereafter expressed, or re-
 turn of their respective Surveys to make their claims,
 or produce and shew forth their Evidences, or other-
 wise make their Estates and Interests appear to the said
 Contractors upon Oath of one or more credible wit-
 nesses. And also all other persons claiming any such In-
 terest, Estate, Annuity, or Rent charge who shall not
 make their Claims, produce their Evidences, or other-
 wise make their Interests and Estates appear to the Sur-
 veyors of the Lands and Tenements out of which they
 claim such Estates and Annuities, or Rents charge be-
 fore the return of their respective Certificates, shall, and

And so direct the
 Surveyors to re-
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And to add
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Those who

claim any estate
 or rent &c. and

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 pear to the Sur-
 veyors, are to

make their
 claims, or shew
 their evidences,

or make their
 estates appear
 upon Oath to

the Contractors
 within 40 dayes

after the returne
 of their respective
 Surveys, or

otherwise make
 their Estates and
 Interests appear

to the said
 Surveyors upon
 Oath of one or
 more credible

witnesses. And
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 persons claiming

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 Estate, Annuity,
 or Rent charge

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 make their Claims,
 produce their

Evidences, or
 otherwise make
 their Estates and

Interests appear
 to the said
 Surveyors

before the return
 of their respective
 Certificates, shall

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publicly required within forty dayes next after the publication of this Ordinance as aforesaid, or returne of the said Ordinance to the said Court, shall then, almost or produce and new writs, and the said Court, or otherwise, may, by the said Court, or otherwise, appear to the said Court, and by Oath aforesaid, to the said Court, and Oath the said Court, or any five of them are hereby authorized from time to time, to do as they shall think fit, and in case of such the same, by any such person, in making their said Oath, or Estates, or otherwise, appear in manner and form aforesaid; That then, all and every such person and persons, for failing, shall forfeit and lose their respective Interests, Estates, Annuities, and Rents, charge, and the Lands and Tenements out of which they shall claim the same, shall, and may be sold, in possession, in like manner as other the Lands and Possessions of the said Archbishops and Bishops. And be it ordained by the said Lords and Commons, that it be, and is hereby left to the judgement and discretion of the said Contractors, or any five of them, to sell any Castles, Palaces, or other Houses, parcell of the Lands and Possessions aforesaid, at such rates and prices as they shall conceive most conducing to the advantage and benefit of the Commonwealth, though at lower rates than their materials are valued by the Surveys returned thereof. And be it further Ordained, That (in case any suit shall hereafter be commenced by any person or persons for recovery or eviction of any part or parcell of the Lands or Possessions of any the said late Archbishops and Bishops aforesaid,) the Trustees aforesaid, or any five or more of them be, and are hereby authorized and enabled at the publique charge to defend the said suit, and to make good the Rent returned by the Survey during such suit: And in case

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such the same, by
any such person, in
making their said
Oath, or Estates, or
otherwise, appear in
manner and form
aforesaid;

For forfeiture of
estates, nor made
to appear in order
and manner of the
said Ordinance;

The Contractors
may sell Bishops
houses at lower
rates than they
are valued at by
the Surveyors.

The Trustees to
defend all suits.

And to make
good the rent in
the Survey.

case of eviction of any part or parcell of the said Lands or Possessions) to give warrant to the Treasurers, to repay unto such person or persons from whom such Land or Estate shall be evicted, the Moneys by him advanced for such purchase, together with such necessary disbursements as he or they have laid out by reason of the said suit, which Warrant shall be sufficient to the Treasurers, in that behalf to pay and satisfy the same: And it is also Ordained, That if after the sale of any of the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, or hereditaments of the late Archbishop, or Bishops, the respective Purchasers thereof shall make complaint unto the Trustees, or any five of them, that the respective Premises by them purchased are charged with, or liable to the payment of any Rents, Annuities, Charges, Boons, Boones, Payments, Issues, or Profits whatsoever unto any Steward, Auditor, Receiver, Bayliffe, Officer, Tenant, or other Person whatsoever, which have not been formerly repaid & defaulted to the said Purchasers upon their respective Purchases of the Premises: That then the said Trustees, or any five of them, shall search out, heare, examine, and ascertain the same, and thereupon certifie the said Rents, Annuities, Charges, Boons, Boones, Payments, Issues, or Profits to the Contractors, or any five of them whereupon the said Contractors, or any five of them shall allow unto the said respective Purchasers of the Premises by way of reprisall rateably and proportionably according to such rates as they paid or contracted for the said purchased premises, and shall accordingly ascertain and certifie the same to the respective Treasurers for the sale of Bishops Lands, or any two of them, who are hereby required and authorised to defalke out of the Moiety unpaid in, or to pay unto

And if any be evicted the Treasurers to repay the purchase money with costs of suit.

If after sale the purchasers complain of any rents, charges &c. which have not been repaid the Trustees shall examine and ascertain the same & certifie the said rents &c. to the Contractors, or any five of them, who are to allow for the same by way of reprisall, and certifie the same to the Treasurers.

And herein it is to be noted that the said Contractors shall be bound to pay the said Rents, Issues, or Profits to the said Purchasers of the Premises by way of reprisall.

The Treasurers to defalke or to pay, to the purchaser according to the Contractors Certificate with interest.

the said respective Purchasers according to such Certificate the respective summes so to be repaid as is aforesaid, with interest at the rate of Eight pounds *per Centum* to be accounted from the time of the payment of their Purchase money out of the money which they shall have in their Treasury. And in case at the time of the presenting such Certificate as aforesaid, the said Treasurers have not Money enough in Cash to satisfy the same, then they are hereby enjoined to make payment thereof out of the first moneys which shall come into their said Treasury or be received by them or any other by their appointment, And are not to pay, or appoint to be paid any other summe of Money whatsoever, untill such reprisals as aforesaid be first satisfied and paid. And the Warrant of the said Trustees, together with the receipt of the said Purchaser or Purchasers shall be to the said Treasurers a sufficient discharge. And the said Trustees or any five of them are hereby authorized and required to cause this present Ordinance to be printed, and so send Copies thereof to the Sheriffs of the respective Counties of the Kingdome of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, where any of the Mannors, Lands, Tenements, or Possessions of the said Archbishops or Bishops are; which said Sheriffs respectively are hereby required to publish the same in their County Courts the next County Court day after they shall receive the same: and also in open Market in the Shire Town the next Market day after the receipt thereof: And shall certifie the day and place of the publication made as aforesaid to the said Trustees within twenty dayes after the same shall be published. And be it last

The warrant of the
Trustees with
the Purchaser's
receipt shall be
a discharge to
the Treasurers.

Printing and
publishing this
Ordinance.

Sheriffs to certifie
the publication
done,

ly Ordained, that this present Ordinance shall be valid according to the tenor and true meaning thereof, any former or other Ordinance or Ordinances concerning the sale of the Lands and Possessions of the said late Archbishops and Bishops, or any clause, article or thing in them or any of them contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

This Ordinance
to be valid non
obstant any form
mer Ordinance,

Fe. Browne Cler. Parliamentorum.



The Ordinance for the sale of the said Lands and Possessions of the said late Archbishops and Bishops, upon the consideration of some words or clauses in the Ordinance for the sale of the said Lands and Possessions, touching the proportion of value between land in possession and reversion after years and years, by reason of which the sale of the said Lands and Possessions

The Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled do Ordain and Decree, and be it Ordained and Decreed, That the Reversion of the said Lands and Possessions, upon a lease for one year, shall not be sold under years purchase, and the reversion of such lands upon a lease for two lives shall not be sold under years purchase, and that the reversion of such Lands upon a lease for three lives shall not be sold under years purchase, and all other reversion of the said lands for more than three lives, and the reversion where any Tenant or Termor of the said premises claims and have a right to have a customary estate in Reversion,

Reversion upon
a lease for one
year shall not be
sold under years
purchase
a lease for two
lives shall not be
sold under years
purchase
a lease for three
lives shall not be
sold under years
purchase
all other reversion
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Die Veneris 17 Martii 1647.

An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament,

For removing Obstructions in the sale of Reversions of Bishops Lands.



Hereas some doubts have been made by the Contractors for the sale of the Lands, Possessions, and Hereditaments of the late Archbishops and Bishops, upon the construction of some words, or clauses in the Ordinances for the sale of the said Lands, concerning the proportion of values betweene Land in possession and reversion after lives and years, by reason of which the sale of the said Lands hath been obstructed,

Reversions upon
a Lease for one
life not to be
sold under 5
years purchase.
2 lives 3 years
purchase.
3 lives 2 years
purchase.
Customary E-
state in Reversi-
on.

The Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled do Ordaine and Declare, and bee it Ordained and Declared, That the Reversion of the said Lands and Hereditaments, upon a Lease for one life, shall not be sold under 5 years purchase, and the reversion of such lands upon a Lease for two lives shall not be sold under 3 years purchase, and that the reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for three lives shall not be sold under 2 years purchase, and all other reversions of the said lands for more then three lives: and the reversion where any Tenant or Tenants of the said premisses claime and have a right to have a customary estate in Reversion,

or

or by the Custom may grant or make Leases for life or lives: the said Contractors are hereby enabled and authorized to contract for, and sell proportionably.

And be it Ordained and Declared by the authority a-fore-
 said, that the reversion of the said Lands, and Hereditaments, upon a Lease for seven years, shall not be sold under 5 years; and one halfe years purchase, and that the reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for fourteen years, shall not be sold under 3 years and one halfe purchase; and that Reversion of such Lands upon a Lease for one and twenty years, shall not be sold under 2 yeares and one halfe purchase; and all other Reversions upon Leases for more or fewer years, the said Contractors are hereby authorized to contract for, and sell proportionably to this rule.

Reversion upon
a Lease for 7
years.

Reversion after
14 years.
Reversion after
21 years.
All other reversion
sions proportion-
ably.

And the said Lords and Commons do Ordaine and Declare, that the afore mentioned proportions shall be the rule of proportion for proportioning Reversions, upon Leases for lives and years, to Lands in Reversion at ten years purchase; And the said Contractors are hereby authorisid to contract for, and sell the said Reversions according to the afore mentioned rules of proportion, any Order or Ordinance of Parliament, or any word or clause in any Order or Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Rule of propor-
tion to lands in
possession at 10
years purchase.

by the Lords and Commons assembled in
 Parliament, that all and every such person or persons
 who have contracted for, or contracted to contract for,
 any Lands, Possessions, or Hereditaments of the late
 Arch-
 Bishop of York, or his Successors, shall not be bound
 to performe the same, until they have obtained the
 consent of the said Lords and Commons, in this behalf
 assembled.



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Die Jovis 23. Martii. 1647.

An Additionall

ORDINANCE

OF THE

LORDS and COMMONS

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT.

For

*The Explanation and better Execution
of former Ordinances for the Sale of the
Lands and Possessions of the late Archbishops
and Bishops within the Realm of England
and Dominion of Wales.*



To prevent all further delays and neglects in paying in monies, and perfecting Conveyances by such who have contracted for Bishops Lands, It is Ordered and Ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that all and every such person or persons, who have contracted, or shall hereafter contract for any Lands, Possessions, or Hereditaments of the late Arch-

Archbishops and Bishops; And according to an Ordinance of the three and twentieth of September, 1647, have obtained or shall obtain from any five or more of the Contractors for Sale of the said Lands, any certificate of allowance of any reasonable cause shewed, or to be shewed by him or them, for his or their not prosecuting and perfecting their respective Conveyances upon their Contracts, and shall neglect within the time limited by the said Contractors certificate to procure his or their respective Conveyances from the Trustees for sale of the said Lands; shall forfeit the third part of the whole monies payable upon his or their respective Contracts, unless he or they shall, within that time, upon good cause shewen, procure from five or more of the said Contractors a new certificate for further time to perfect his or their Conveyances, and likewise pay in the moiety of the purchase money, (or so much as the same shall be estimated by the Register, in case it cannot be ascertained) at such time as the said Contractors certificate shall appoint; And likewise agree to pay the second moiety within six months after such payment of the first: Provided, that if the aforementioned Estimate of the moiety of the purchase money paid in as aforesaid, shall upon casting up of the Rates appear to be more or less than the true moiety of the said purchase money, that then there shall be such abatement or addition out of, or unto the second payment, as shall reduce and bring it to the just moiety. And it is Ordered and Ordained, that the forfeitures of all such persons who have any monies secured unto them by any of the Ordinances for the sale of Bishops Lands, shall be wholly defalked by the Treasurers out of such monies, if sufficient to satisfy the same, if not, then

Such as have obtained from the Contractors an allowance of a cause shewed for not perfecting their Conveyances, and shall neglect within the time limited by the Contractors to procure their Conveyances, shall forfeit a third part of their monies unless within that time they procure a new certificate for further time, and also pay in a moiety of their purchase money.

Forfeitures to be defalked out of the monies secured by the Ordinances, if sufficient to satisfy such as have no monies on the said security.

then the said Treasurers are to detaine so much as is due unto them upon the said security to be raised; and the residue of the said monies so forfeited, as is directed by this Ordinance. And such person or persons who have no monies on the said security, and notwithstanding have contracted or shall contract for the said premisses, or any part thereof, but have not perfected his or their Conveyances according to the said Ordinance of Parliament, his or their forfeiture shall likewise be leyed as is directed by this present Ordinance. And it is further Ordered and Ordained, that such person or persons as shall incur or make any forfeiture by reason of the aforesaid, or this present Ordinance, shall pay in to the said Treasurers his or their monies so forfeited, or so much of it as is unsatisfied, within ten dayes next after such forfeiture made: And in case the same be not paid in to the said Treasurers within the time before limited, the said Treasurers, or any two of them, are hereby required under their hands to certifye such neglects of Non-payment unto five or more of the said Contractors of the said Lands within three dayes next after such default made, and after such certificate made, the said contractors any five or more of them are hereby required and enjoined to make certificates under 5 or more of their hands, of the sum or sums of money forfeited as aforesaid, unto the respective Committees or Commissioners for Sequestration in the severall and respective Counties and places within the Realm of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, where such person or persons forfeiting as aforesaid, have or hath any reall or personall estate. And it is further Ordered, Ordained, and Declared by the authority aforesaid, that the said respective Committees or Commissioners for Sequestration,

Forfeitures to be paid within 10 dayes. If not, the Treasurers to certifye the default to the Contractors within 3 dayes after such default, which the Contractors are to certifye to the Committees of Sequestrations.

stration, shall, and are hereby authorized and required upon Receipt of such certificate from the said Contractors, to seize, sequester, and secure the reall and personall estate of such person or persons so forfeiting as aforesaid; and the same to detain in their custody without sale or disposall thereof for the space of ten dayes, provided that if the person or persons so sequestred, do pay or cause to be paid in to the said Treasurers his or their forfeitures within the said ten dayes, that then upon certificate from the said Treasurers, or any two of them to the respective Committees or Commissioners of the payment thereof, the said Committees or Commissioners for Sequestrations, are to discharge the Sequestration of the said reall and personall estate of such person or persons; And it is further Ordained, that in case such person or persons forfeiting as aforesaid, do not satisfie and pay in his or their forfeitures within the said ten dayes; that then the said Committees or Commissioners are hereby required and authorized to levy and raise such sum or sums certified unto them as aforesaid, by sale of the goods, and Receipts of the Rents, Issues, and Profits of the Lands of such person or persons, and after the sum certified, as aforesaid, is raised, the said Lands, and residue of the said goods unsold are to be discharged of the Sequestration. And it is further Ordained that all the said forfeitures shall be paid in by the respective Committees or Commissioners to the said Treasurers to be disposed of for such purposes as are appointed by the Ordinance of the 16 of November, 1646. as the Trustees or any 5 or more of them shall by their warrant under their hands direct, which they are hereby authorized to do; and such their warrant, together with the parties Ac-

Committees of Sequestration. to seize the reall and personall Estate of the persons making forfeitures, and the same to detain 10 daies.

Within which time if the forfeiture be paid, the sequestration is to be discharged. If the forfeitures be not paid within 10 daies after sequestration, the forfeitures are to be levied by sale of goods and receipt of rents.

All forfeitures to be paid to the Treasurers.

After the forfeiture incurred the Contractors may sell the lands to any other.

This Ordinance to be sent to all Sherifffes to be published.

quittance, to whom the same shall be paid, according to such warrant, shall be a sufficient discharge to the Treasurers in that behalfe. And it is further Ordained, that after such forfeiture incurred, it may and shall be lawfull for any five or more of the Contractors to contract for and sell all or any of the said Lands, so contracted for, and not prosecuted, to any other person or persons, notwithstanding the former contract, as if it never had been made (any former Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding.) And it is lastly Ordained, that the Trustees for the said Lands, do forthwith send this Ordinance to the respective Sherifffes of the severall Counties, Cities, and Boroughes in the Kingdome of England and Domion of Wales, who are hereby required to publish this present Ordinance in the chief Market Towns of the said County, the next Market day after the Receipt thereof; And the day of the publication thereof to certifie to the said Trustees.

Jo. Browne Cler. Parliamentorum.

H. Elfyng Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Lunæ 24. Julii, 1648.

AN

ORDINANCE

OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT,

For

*The more speedy satisfying the monies
lent upon the Credit of the Ordinances for*

SALE OF
BISHOPS' LANDS

WHEREAS by severall Ordinances of Parliament, the Lands and Possessions of the late Archbishops and Bishops, stand engaged, for the payment of 800000*l.* which premisses are by Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 18 of November, 1646.

enfranchised *An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons
assembled*

*assembled in Parliament, for the appointing the sale of the Bishops Lands for the use of the Common-wealth; and by another Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 13 of May, 1647, entitled, An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for the securing all those that shall advance 20000*l.* for the service of this Kingdom and of the Kingdom of Ireland, which premisses by the said Ordinances and others are appointed to bee sold for the paying of the said debts (viz.) 400000*l.* secured by the first of the said Ordinances, and 400000*l.* secured by the second of the said Ordinances. The Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, being informed before the first of April, 1648. that to the value of 460000*l.* worth of the said premisses were sold and contracted for; and that notwithstanding the said sale, the Common-wealth payes interest for a great part of the said first 400000*l.* And to the intent that the Common-wealth may bee with more speed discharged of paying interest for the said summes, the first Lenders more speedily satisfied, and the second Lenders put in a way of receiving their monies; the Lords and Commons doe Order, Ordaine and Declare, that such monies as shall be paid in to the Treasurers of the said premisses by any purchaser or purchasers, and all such monies as shall bee raised and levied by reason of any forfeiture for not prosecuting his or their Conveyance or Conveyances within the time limited by the Ordinances of Parliament in that case made, shall bee issued out and paid by the said Treasurers for the satisfying of the first Lenders or their Assignes, such monies as was lent on the Credite of the first Ordinance, the same*

Such monie as shall be paid to the Treasurers by purchase is and for forfeiture shall be paid to the first Lenders.

same rules to be observed in the issuing out of such Moneys as are expressed in other Ordinances in that case made; It is Ordained by the authority aforesaid, That where any Person or Persons, Body Politick or Corporate, have before the first of *April*, 1648. contracted for any of the said Premises, such Person or Persons, Body Politick or Corporate, shall pay or satisfy his or their engagement for the purchase of the said Premises either in Moneys, or else by such Bills or Receipts as were given to the respective Lenders, his or their Assignes, by vertue of the said Ordinance of the 16. of *November*, 1646. or by any assignment of such Bill or receipt since the 16. of *November*, 1646. It is Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, That the proceed of all the said Lands Contracted for before the first of *April*, 1648. shall be wholly appointed, made use of, and employed for the paying and satisfying of the residue of all such persons, who on the Credit of the first Ordinance advanced any moneys untill the said Lender or his Assignes be fully satisfied all such sum or sums of Moneys as shall be due or owing unto him or them on the aforesaid Security. And it is further Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, That all Contracts made since the first of *April*, last, or hereafter to be made for any of the said Premises, the Purchaser or Purchasers shall and may satisfy, discharge and pay the first Moity of his or their Purchase money for the said Purchase, either in Monies, or by Bills or Receipts given to any Lender or Lenders, his or their Assignes, by vertue of the Ordinance of Parliament, dated the 16 of *November*, 1646. or by the Assignment of any of the said Bills untill the first Lenders be fully satisfied; and the second Moity by Moneys, or out of the Bills or Receipts gi-

Lands contracted for before the first of *April*, 1648. shall be paid for in money or by Bills given upon the Ordinance of the 16. of *November*, 1646.

The proceed of Lands contracted for before the first of *April*, 1648. to be employed for payment of the first Lenders.

The first moity of moneys due by Contract made since the first of *April*, 1648. to be paid in money or by Bills upon the Ordinance of the 16. of *November*, 1646.

And the second moity by money or Bills upon the Ordinance of the 13. of *May* 1647.

ven to any Lender or Lenders, his or their assignes, by vertue of the Ordinance of Parliament dated the 13 of May, 1647. or by the assignement of any of the said Bills or Receipts; And after the satisfying and paying of the first Lenders, the second Lenders shall be satisfied and paid, as is expressed in the Ordinances in that case made; And that all payments made according to the intent of this Ordinance shall be good and effectually to discharge the person or persons of his or their engagement or Contract for the said Premises: And the said Treasurers are hereby authorised & enjoyned to accept of the same as good and sufficient payment, any Ordinance of Parliament to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

*Io. Brown, Cler. Parliamentorum.
H. Elsyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.*

Die Jovis, 3 Augusti, 1648.

O*rdere*d by the Commons assembled in Parliament, That the Trustees for the sale of Bishops-Lands, be required and enjoyned forthwith to Print the Ordinance of the 24 of July, 1648. For the more speedy satisfying the Moneys lent upon the Credit of the Ordinances for sale of Bishops-Lands; and so publish the same.

H. Elsyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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Die Martis, 3 Octobris, 1648.

AN
ORDINANCE
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Assembled in
PARLIAMENT,

Authorising the Trustees to pay all Augmentations granted by the Committee of Plundered Ministers out of the rate of Bishops Lands, &c.



HEREAS by vertue of an Ordinance of Parliament of the ninth of October 1646. intituled, *An Ordinance of Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdoms of England and Dominion of Wales, and for setting of their Lands and Possessions upon Trustees for the use of the Common-wealth;* Sir John Wollaston Knight, John Fenke Alderman, and divers other Trustees named in the said Ordinance, are seized amongst other things of all Parsonages appropriate, tithes, oblations, pensions, portions of tithes, parsonages, and vicarages, lately belonging to the said Archbishops and Bishops subject to such Trust, and Confidence as both Houses of Parliament shall appoint, and declare, and are to

Recitall of the Ordinance for setting the lands in the Trustees.

Ordained that the Trustees give warrants to the Treasurers for issuing out the Revenues of Parsonages appropriate, tithes, &c. as have been received and not disposed of to Ministers, to such persons to whom the same shall be ordered by the Committee for plundered Ministers for augmentation of maintenance.

The Trustees to give warrant to the Treasurers for payment of Arrears due for augmentations, and incurred since the 9 of October 1646. according to the said Orders.

dispose of the same, and the rents and profits thereof, as both Houses shall appoint, as in the said Ordinance is expressed and declared: Bee it Ordained, and it is hereby Ordained by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, that the said Trustees, or any five or more of them shall, and are hereby authorized and required to give warrants to the Treasurers in the said Ordinance named for the issuing out, and payment of the Rents and Revenues of the said Parsonages appropriate, tithes, oblations, obventions, pensions, portions of tithes, parsonages, and vicarages, as have been, or shall be received by the said Treasurers, and have not been otherwise disposed of, for the maintenance of Ministers to such person or persons respectively, to whom the said Rents, and Revenues, or any part, or parcell thereof, have been, or shall be ordered or assigned by the Committee for plundered Ministers for augmentation of maintenance for officiating in any Church or Chappel within the Kingdome of *England and Dominion of Wales*, according to the effect and purport of the Orders of the said Committee respectively. And the said Trustees, or any 5 or more of them shall give and are hereby further authorized and required to give warrant to the said Treasurers for payment of Arrears due for the said augmentations and incurred since the 9 of *October, 1646.* according to the said Orders, and such Warrants of the said Trustees, together with the receipt of the said person or persons, who shall receive the said augmentations as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient discharge for the said Treasurers upon their accompt.

Jo. Browne Cler. Parliamentum.

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